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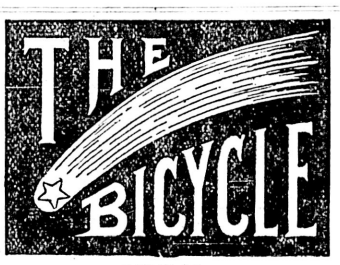

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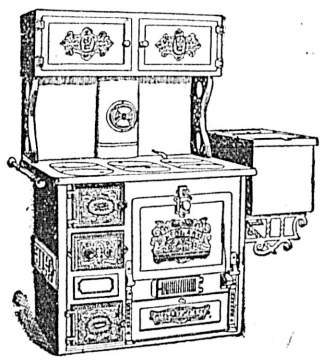

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REMEMBER Valhalla's great basket social and dance, Thursday evening, March 18, at Oliver's Hall. Ladies to bring small luncheon in basket, with card enclosed. This will be one of the most enjoyable public entertainments the society has yet attempted and nobody should miss it. mr16

$5—No. 1 double screened household coal—per ton of 2,000 lbs; delivered to any part of the city. Rattray & Hall, 100 Government street and 25 Store street mr13

NOTICE—Arthur Churton, Furrier. Deceased; 62 Humboldt street, Victoria. All furs left at the above address not called for within ten days will be otherwise disposed of. mr7

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Under the direction of Mr. J. G. Brown.

TICKETS 50 CENTS.

Seats may be reserved at Jamieson's Book Store, Government Street, on payment of 25 cents extra. mr18

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FRIDAY, MARCH 19, AT 11 A.M.

I will sell at the Outer Wharf, on account of whom it may concern, 40,000 feet of Lumber, assorted lengths and sizes

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A fine Singer sewing machine for sale cheap; also a Davis (in good order.) A Cooper's complete outfit very cheap. mr18

Tenders for Carbons, Globes and Oil.

Tenders, sealed, endorsed and addressed to the undersigned, will be received up to 4 o'clock of Monday, the 29th inst., for supply to the Corporation of the City of Victoria of

50,000 Copper Coated Carbons, 5/16x12.
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W. W. NORTHCOTT,
Purchasing Agent for the Corporation.
City Hall, Victoria, B.C., March 17th, 1897. mr18

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

Take notice that pursuant to the provisions of the Partnership Act, 1894, I have this day dissolved the partnership heretofore existing between Michael Morissey and myself under the name of the Excelsior Brewing Company.

Dated at Victoria this 16th day of March, 1897.

JOHN LEAHY.

Witness:—Archer Martin. mr18

New Advertisements continued on page eight.

Whiskey Going Up.

TORONTO, March 17.—The retail liquor dealers are putting in large stocks of whiskey, having, it is said, received tips that the distillers would advance prices shortly.

THE CANADIAN TARIFF

Its Principles Will Be Settled Now the Dingley Bill is Public.

Argument in the Supreme Court on Bigamies Committed Abroad by Canadians.

Six Months Hoist to School Settlement Bill Defeated in Manitoba Legislature.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, March 17.—The cabinet discussed the tariff all afternoon and the general principles of its revision are being settled now that the Dingley bill has been made public.

The Supreme court will give judgment on the election cases on March 24,

Argument was heard in the Supreme court to-day on the sections of the criminal code, making it an offence for Canadians to commit bigamy abroad, having left Canada with intent to do so. The High court of Ontario decided in one case that a section was valid, but it was held contrary in a later case, following McLeod, the attorney general of New South Wales, in which the judicial committee of the Privy Council had a similar provision declared ultra vires as legislating for subjects beyond the territory. Newcombe, deputy minister of justice, appeared for the attorney general of Canada to support the validity of the act. No counsel appeared against it, and the court expressed its objection to a decision ex parte.

THE SCHOOL QUESTION.

Vote on the Laurier Settlement in the Manitoba Legislature—Saskatchewan Election Protest Withdrawn.

WINNIPEG, March 17.—(Special)—A Prince Albert despatch says: "The protest against Mr. Davis, M. P., for Saskatchewan has died a natural death. Mr. Watson, counsel for Mr. Davis, appeared before Judge McGuire yesterday and asked for a date to be fixed for hearing the preliminary objections, when the petitioners counsel announced that the case would be withdrawn."

The Canadian Pacific have decided to give a rebate on all dairy produce coming into Winnipeg from provincial points.

A vote was taken to-night in the legislature on the amendment of Mr. Roblin, leader of the opposition, to give the six months hoist to the second reading of the bill ratifying the schools settlement. The amendment was defeated by 5 to 3. Messrs. Roblin McFadden, Pare, Marion and Lauzon consenting, comprised the five voting yea.

The Archbishop of St. Boniface has received a letter from the Cardinal Prefect of the Propaganda at Rome, inclosing a receipt which grants a plenary indulgence of six months to all those who contribute to the Manitoba Catholic schools, which the Cardinal Prefect states "have been overthrown by unjust laws."

CANDIDATES NAMED

For the Coming Elections in Quebec—Bonaventure Sends a Liberal to the Commons.

MONTREAL, March 17.—(Special)—Guite, the Liberal candidate was elected for the Bonaventure seat in the commons to-day by 600 majority, with three polls to hear from. The Liberal majority at last election was 313.

The Conservative convention for Argenteuil county to-day nominated W. J. Simpson as the candidate for the provincial election.

At a Conservative convention for the Quebec legislature in Hull, Hon. G. Nantel received the unanimous nomination.

Dr. Lalonde has been chosen as the Liberal candidate for Vaudreuil in the provincial election.

The C.P.R. traffic returns for the week ending March 14 amounted to $323,000, and for the same week last year to $342,000.

DEARER POWDER.

Companies Effect an Agreement—Increase of Two Cents Per Pound.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 17.—The powder war is over. An arrangement has been affected between the Atlantic and Pacific coast companies, and the latter will sign their agreement to-day if the programme is carried out. There is a dual arrangement. One covers the neutral belt, and is between the manufacturers of powder in the East and those of California.

The second division of the powder agreement is between the California, the Giant and the Judson companies, and includes Washington, Oregon, California, Nevada, Arizona and Idaho. The pact includes black powder and dynamite. The advance on the Pacific coast will be slightly greater than in the neutral belt. Almost every shipping point varies on the schedule, but as a general proposition the increase will be nearly 2 cents a pound. Thus, No. 2 dynamite, which has been selling from 8 to 8½ cents a pound, will be advanced to 9½ and 10 cents, and black powder from $1 to $1.25 a keg.

Bald heads are becoming too frequent among the middle aged. This can be prevented by the timely use of Hall's Vegetable Sicilian Hair Renewer.

English garden trowels at Cheapside. *

DYNAMITE IN CUBA.

Two Hundred and Fifty Spanish Troops Blown to Death by the Insurgents.

NEW YORK, March 17.—A Havana special to the World says: Through Cubans here it is learned that a train carrying Spanish troops was blown up by dynamite while passing over a deep gorge south of Candelaria, Pinar del Rio province, and nearly 250 soldiers were killed or injured. The locomotive and six cars were demolished. The tragedy occurred about March 10.

The insurgents lay in ambush near by. It is understood that Capt. John Lynn, a young American electrical engineer, who has made himself famous in Cuba by his work with the dynamite gun, contrived the affair. The train approached the bridge about 3 o'clock in the morning. When fully on it all the charges were exploded, the engine and cars flew into the air like so many chips, and fell into the deep gorge below, crushing dead and injured alike. The wreckage caught fire.

As soon as the explosion occurred the insurgents dashed from their ambuscade with a wild cry and began to massacre. But for the timely hoisting of a white flag by Colonel Mores, who was in command of the Spanish forces, every man would have been macheted. As it was the Cubans secured 300 prisoners, including ten officers. The private soldiers, after being divested of most of their uniforms, were released and sent to San Cristobal, the officers being retained as hostages for twenty-five insurgents who are held at Artemisa, and threatened with death. The Spaniards admit the dynamiting of the train, but claim the details were exaggerated. Word comes from Santa Clara of two fierce engagements on Thursday and Friday, in which the Spaniards lost heavily. Five battalions of troops were sent to that place yesterday.

APPEAL TO THE SWORD.

Fight Between a French Amateur and the Master of the Italian School of Arms.

PARIS, March 17.—A duel with swords was fought this afternoon in the park of St. Ouen between Chevalier Pini, master of the Italian school of arms, and M. Thomeguex, a French amateur swordsman. The meeting aroused intense interest and arose from a letter insulting Pini, as an outcome of a recent assault at arms. Pini is regarded as the first swordsman of the world. Thomeguex is a prominent Transvaal Uitlander, or resident of foreign birth. The duel lasted half an hour. Pini easily held his own and only disarmed his adversary. Later Pini lunged violently at M. Thomeguex's right breast. The latter half parried the lunge, but Pini's rapier pierced his shirt. Finally M. Thomeguex was wounded in the face and the duel was stopped.

WAR PREPARATIONS.

Britain's Military Establishments Ordered to Make Ready for Foreign Service.

LONDON, March 17.—Secret and rapid preparations are being made at Woolwich and other military establishments of Great Britain. The chiefs of the various garrisons have been ordered to prepare details from regiments available for foreign service. A number of large steamers have been chartered by the government and have been ordered to embark war stores at Woolwich for Malta. Two thousand tons of the stores will leave Woolwich to-morrow. Trouble is expected at the Cape of Good Hope. War stores are being rapidly forwarded there by all the Castle line steamers which have been fitted with special magazines.

CUBAN FILIBUSTERS.

Clearance Papers Withheld From Suspicious Vessels—Behring Sea Patrol—Knights of Labor.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The cabinet yesterday considered the question of the enforcement of the neutrality laws with particular reference to the treatment of such vessels as the Dauntless, which are under suspicion of Cuban filibustering, but seek to secure clearances in routine fashion. A number of legal points are involved and Attorney-General McKenna was asked to prepare a legal opinion on them. Today, by appointment, Secretaries Sherman, Long and Gage and Attorney-General McKenna met the president for further discussion of the subject.

It is understood that it was decided that for the present at least and until the matter is passed on by an official opinion from the attorney-general, the policy of the administration will be to refuse clearance papers to vessels supposed to be engaged in filibustering operations in aid of the Cuban insurgents unless an affidavit is made by the owner or master of the vessel that there is no intention to violate the neutrality laws of the United States, the burden of proof that there is no improper motive involved in the sailing of the vessels being on the owner or master. This question has been a cause of some annoyance to the officials of the administration and the tug Dauntless, now detained at Jacksonville on suspicion of having filibustering intentions, will probably not have her clearance papers granted until she performs certain further requirements.

The furnishing of a patrol fleet for the protection of seal life in Behring sea was also a matter of consideration to-day, but no conclusion was reached.

The executive board of the Knights of Labor to-day began its quarterly meeting, which will continue for several days. Messrs. Sovereign, McGuire, Martin, Best and Hayes are in attendance.

£ bicycle, "built like a watch," on view at Nicholles & Renouf's. A. J. Dallain, sole agent. x

ENTER FITZSIMMONS.

The Championship of the Fistic World Passes to Lanky Bob.

Corbett Valiantly Defends His Laurels But Meets a Better Man.

Three Thousand People Witness the Greatest Ring Fight of Years.

CARSON, March 17.—The many old scores between Robert Fitzsimmons and James J. Corbett have been wiped out, and after a battle of fifteen rounds, hard fought all the way through, Lanky Bob wears the honors of the world's championship. He has won them on his merits, and his friends boast proudly tonight that every prediction made for their man has been more than verified—while on the other hand the fallen champion's supporters have nothing to blame him for. "Gentleman Jim" fought his best fight; took his punishment without the suspicion of weakening; and died game. It was the battle of his life for each of them, and never was a prize fight brought off in this country more generally satisfactory to the spectators, for even the heaviest losers cannot but accept the result philosophically as the fortune of war. Indeed, the Corbett contingent, without any sacrifice of loyalty, are as ready as Fitzsimmons' best friends to do honor to his prowess, his skill, his indomitable fighting grit, and, above all, his ring generalship. For, fighting his own battle all the way through, he won quite as much by headwork as by pluck, speed and strength. Both men were in the acme of condition; both were in the ring to fight for all that was in them; both gave evidence of first grade ability and sand—but both cannot be champion, and the better man has the call.

The eagle eye of Muldoon quickly detected Corbett's weak point Tuesday. He lacked the calmness and perfection of confidence that were the conspicuous features of Fitz' bearing, and irritability is fatal to a fighter when he has such a man as the Cornishman in front of him. Then, too, he listened to and weighed every piece of information as to his opponent and paid close attention to the advice of each of his trainers—while Fitzsimmons on the other hand trained himself, kept cool, and went into the ring prepared to overcome anything, with unlimited confidence in his own fitness and skill to do up his man. Muldoon's forecast unquestionably had its effect on the late betting—what little there was of it—and though Corbett went into the fight a quoted favorite, the odds were mainly theoretical.

The crowd gathered early, and at 11 o'clock everyone who had secured a seat was in possession. A quarter of an hour later the 3,000 odd sports cheered as one man when Billy Jordan made his way to the ring, John L. Sullivan at his side. Jordan announced that he was present to challenge the winner for a fight with the old lion for $5,000 a side, $1,000 being on deposit with the New York World as a guarantee of good faith, and Sullivan himself being lustily called for, jumped into the ring and explained.

"Gentlemen," he said, "there is nothing I can add to Mr. Jordan's remarks. I think there is one more fight left in me and I am here for business."

Next came Billy Madden, who took the platform ten minutes later to inform the world that he had deposited $2,500 with Warren Lewis of New York for a fight within one year between the winner and Joe Goddard.

He in turn was followed by Tom Sharkey, for whom a deposit of $2,500 had been made with the New York Journal for a mill with the victor of the day. The sailor received quite a hearty welcome, and made a little speech of becoming brevity.

"I have met both of these men," he said, "and I would like to have the first chance. I don't think either of them has anything on me."

The crowd cheered and Sharkey climbed off the platform,

The last train having arrived, the crowd beginning to wax impatient, and the principals chafing for the work before them, Referee Silier made the formal announcements at a quarter to 12, and amidst rounds of applause escorted Mrs. Fitsimmons and Houseman to the box reserved for them behind the Cornishman's corner. Mrs. Bob was not the only woman present for for about a dozen well-dressed, good-looking females were in the crowd, the majority braving the gaze of the assemblage unveiled.

Just at three minutes to noon Silier called to the men to get ready, and they promptly replied that they were ready and waiting. Then he told them to come in. Fitzsimmons came from his dressing room in a blue and pink dressing gown—Julian led the procession, and the other three followed. Corbett came in a minute later with his seconds. Both men were duly cheered, and as Fitzsimmons passed his wife he shook her by the hand and kissed her. He then climbed into the ring, with Corbett close behind. Corbett had a broad grin on his face and shook hands with Silier. He then tried the ropes, while Fitzsimmons walked slowly up and down, glancing occasionally at his antagonist. Silier was announced as referee, and the official timekeeper was Muldoon. The seconds for Fitzsimmons were Roeber, Hickey, Julian and Stenzler, and his timekeeper, Louis Houseman. For Corbett, McVey, White, Delany, Woods, and Donaldson were seconds, and Colville, timekeeper.

Fitzsimmons was first introduced and Corbett next, Corbett getting the loudest

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SEAFORTHS FOR CRETE

Advance of Turks Across the Frontier Expected — Peremptory Summons to Greece.

The Powers and Cretan Autonomy —Secret Negotiations Between Athens and St. Petersburg.

LONDON, March 17.—It is announced that a detachment of 600 men from the Seaforth Highlanders has been ordered to the island of Crete immediately from Malta. The vessels belonging to the British Mediterranean squadron, now at Malta, have been instructed to sail immediately for Crete to reinforce the British squadron there.

The correspondent of the Times is informed on high authority that the advance of Turkish troops across the frontier is now confidently expected. Fifteen thousand Greek troops will embark at once for Volo. The government is reserving £16,000 of specie for the payment of July coupons.

The Chronicle says the ultimatum to proceed with the blockade will take the humiliating form of a peremptory summons from the admirals to the Greek authorities. The Chronicle believes that although owing to pressure brought to to bear by the powers Bulgaria and Servia will remain neutral, yet in the event of war Servia will send troops into old Servia to establish her claims there.

M. Averoff, the wealthy Greek of Alexander, who contributed a million drachms towards the expense of the restoration of the Stadion, has offered to provide 40,000 uniforms. The Greeks of Marseilles have sent £10,000 as a contribution to the emergency war fund. The Times correspondent at Canea says that autonomy is not in the least degree understood by the Mussulmans there, and it is not impossible that there will trouble when they learn that it means the departure of the garrison and officials. A strong force ought to be present when the official proclamation is formally made.

CANEA, March 17.—Col. Vassos has transferred his headquarters to Sphakia, the most mountainous and inaccessible position on the island. This is held to indicate that Greece is firmly resolved not to recall her troops, a step which is regarded as impossible in the face of the strong national feeling. Col. Vassos will strongly fortify his new camp, which is revictualed for several months. He is now able to await the progress of events.

The Russian consul has received formal instructions to proclaim autonomy to Crete, but the other consuls still remain without instructions. The admirals consider this step has been taken too late. After a conference to-day the admirals addressed notes to their respective embassies, declaring that if any portion of the marines should be withdrawn from Crete looting and lawlessness, greatly aggravated by hunger, will increase.

LARISSA, March 17.—The situation on the frontier is now inflammable. At several points the sentries and outposts of the Turkish and Greek forces are within forty paces of each other.

NEW YORK, March 17.—A dispatch to the Herald from St. Petersburg says: Bulgaria and Servia have in view of the condition of affairs on the Greek and Turkish frontier formally communicated their intention of remaining quiet. It may, however, be noted by those who doubt that nothing could have stopped those two countries from breaking out into war should Crete have been given to Greece, and further, that the present good behavior of both will be, it is thoroughly understood, considered in their favor when the map of Europe may need a change.

The report that Italy is going to take the responsibility of restoring order in Crete is not exact, but in view of simplifying the action of plans under consideration, the fewest powers possible—say two or three—will undertake the occupation of Crete, one of whom will be Italy.

Russia's mind is made up. Nothing can alter the decision, as it has constantly been telegraphed during the past ten days, because she has views far above cheap clap-trap and the sentiments of Byronic societies, revolutionary agitators, radical orators, boisterous students and Athenian demagogues. She sees clearly that the great humanitarian question of peace would be involved, and with that there can be no trifling or hesitation.

A special cable dispatch from the Press correspondent at Athens says: Secret negotiations are proceeding between King George of Greece and Russia. This information comes from a high and absolutely trustworthy authority. Russia is undoubtedly playing a two-faced game with the Turkish government and with the powers. There is an understanding that when the Greek army crosses the frontier Russia shall find a pretext to seize Constantinople. The understanding, as far as King George is concerned, is that the conflict in the Balkans, which is sure to follow fighting on the frontier, and the disruption of the Turkish empire, which would follow a seizure of Constantinople by the Russians, Greece is to be encouraged to seize Macedonia, with the Czar's promise in advance that she shall be permitted to retain the province.

VICTORIA'S FIRE DEPARTMENT.

"The Insurance and Finance Chronicle" Discusses the Situation in Victoria.

In the March 1 issue of the Insurance and Finance Chronicle of Montreal is the following reference to the insurance situation in this city:

"The Victoria (B.C.) underwriters recently waited upon the council of that city to urge the necessity of a better system of fire protection. The antiquated plan is in vogue there of having only a very small fire brigade stationed at the fire hall, and the rest of the men scattered all over the city, some of them at such a distance as to render their prompt presence at a fire impossible. Such services require to be immediately rendered to be of value. The difference between firemen getting to a fire instantly and arriving in a quarter of an hour, or even sooner, is the difference between a trifling and a serious loss. The insurance companies of Victoria, B.C., are more heavily taxed than in any other city in Canada. They pay at present by taxation a large share of the cost of the city's fire protection. This is not equitable, as their interest in the properties of the city are certainly inconsiderable compared to the total interests of the owners of properties.

"The system of a 'call' fire brigade is well enough for a village; but for a city like Victoria, which contains twenty millions worth of property, it is inadequate, and a peril to the city. To such an imperfect system is attributable a number of conflagrations which have destroyed towns and cities larger than Victoria. The underwriters in the demand have all the reason and sound judgment on their side, as nothing can be urged against a well-equipped fire brigade for so important a city which is worth the trouble of stating, much less of formally answering. A city without an efficient fire brigade has little respect for its own credit as a municipality, and less for the very large proprietory interests which it is the duty of a municipal council to protect. Sooner or later, Victoria will suffer for its neglect, as such presumptuous indifference about fire protection is certain to bring a penalty."

STOCK MARKETS FLAT.

Upward Tendency in New York Checked—Business in London Stagnant.

NEW YORK, March 17.—The reactionary element on the stock exchange were able to check, in part, the upward tendency of prices to-day as the net result of the day's trading, the general loss of a fraction in most of the Vanderbilt shares being the only exception. The closing quotations were: Canada Southern, 51½; J.C., 93⅜; O. & N., 110¼ C. C. & St. L., 33½; L. & N., 49⅜; Mo. Pac., 18¾; N.Y.C., 99⅛; N. P. pfd., 37½; U.P., 67⅜; Wabash pfd., 16; W.U., 86; Com. cable in Montreal, 166; C.P.R. London in, 53.

The Evening Post's London cable says: "The stock markets remained stagnant and flattened on continued reports of the massing of Greek troops on the frontier. The Transvaal news was also disquieting. Opinions in regard to a change in the bank rates of discount to be fixed to-morrow, are evenly divided. The best quarters, perhaps, expect no change. Except in Lake Shore and Illinois Americans were lower in sympathy with the other markets."

THE RETAIL MARKETS.

This Year's Crop of California Sweet Potatoes Finds Its Way Into the Market.

An upward tendency in mutton, a slight cut in California butter, an advance of half a cent in the pound on potatoes and a plentiful supply of fish are the only changes of the week in the local market. None are very important but most of them are likely to be lasting for some few months. The market, generally speaking, is not very active at present, monthly orders constituting probably the most important business done. A small shipment of California sweet potatoes was received during the week and is meeting with good demand. The retail quotations are as follows:

FLOUR—Ogilvie's (Hungarian) per bbl	$6.00
Lake of the Woods (Hungarian)	6.00
Victoria XXX	5.25
Lion	5.25
Portland roller	5.25
Salem	5.50
Snowflake	5.75
Premier	5.50
Three Star	5.50
Superfine	5.50
Hungarian (Armstrong)	5.75
XXXX "	5.25
Strong Bakers "	5.00
Graham, per 10 lbs	40
Wheat, per ton	35.00@40.00
Buckwheat, per 10 lbs	50
Oats, per ton	25.00@30.00
Barley, per ton	30.00@32.00
Middlings, per ton	22.00@25.00
Bran, per ton	17.00@18.00
Ground feed, per ton	25.00
" " California per ton	25.00@30.00
Corn, whole, per ton	26.00@28.00
" cracked, per ton	28.00@30.00
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" sweet, per lb	4
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Hay, baled, per ton	13 00
Straw, per bale	50@75
Onions, per lb	5
Rhubard, per bunch	10
Cheese, per lb	15@20
" American, per lb	20
Eggs, Island, per doz	25
" imported, per doz	20
Butter, fresh, per lb	30
" Creamery, per lb	30
" Dairy, per lb	25
" Delta, per lb	30
" California, per sq	45@50
" " per roll	40
Honey (Chilliwack) per lb	25
Hams, American, per lb	16@18
" Canadian, "	16
" Boneless, "	15
" Glasgow beef, per lb	20
Bacon, American, per lb	16@18
" Rolled "	14@16
" Long clear "	10
" Canadian "	14@16
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Lard, per lb	12½
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Sides, per lb	7½@8
Veal "	10@15
Mutton, "	5@12½
" " carcase, per lb	9½
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Geese, per lb	15@20
Chickens, each	65@75
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Eastern apples, per lb	5
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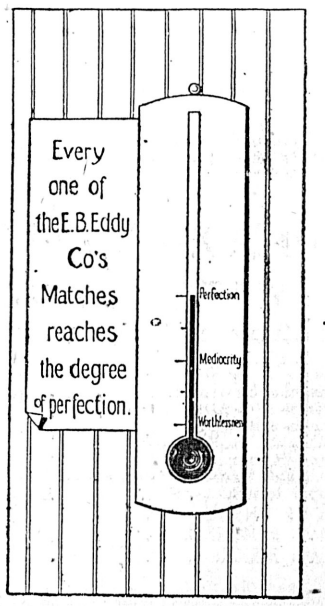

NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Royal City Wants to Tax Amateur Theatricals—Lacrosse Club Elects Officers.

Real Estate Values at Nelson City —No Boom but Just "Healthy Growth."

(Special to the COLONIST.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, March 17.—A copy of the Trinity University Review to hand announces that J. H. MacGill, M.A., has been appointed business manager. Mr. MacGill is widely known in Vancouver where he practised law. His love for journalism, however, led him to accept a position on the News-Advertiser here, and he succeeded in the difficult task of attending to his legal practice while holding down the position of a reporter on the staff of the paper mentioned. Mr. MacGill, however, decided to fit himself for the ministry, and while taking a post-graduate course at Trinity is again flirting with his old love-journalism.

Tenders are being invited by the Golden Cache Company for the erection of buildings and installation of their ten-stamp mill.

William Henderson, in the employment of Cates & McDermot, stevedores, got his hand crushed recently while loading a vessel, necessitating the amputation of his thumb three times to check blood poisoning. The efforts of the surgeons, however, proved of no avail, and Mr. Henderson died at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The news of the death of John Darling, superintending engineer of the Union Steamship Co., of New Zealand was received by his son, Mr. H. Darling, manager of the U.S.S. Co., Vancouver, yesterday. The Union Steamship flags are floating at half mast in consequence.

The Vancouver Camera Club held their annual report last night. The report of the treasurer was very satisfactory, and showed a good balance to the credit of the club. All the last year's officers were re-elected, the only change being in the executive. The officers are as follows: Hon. president, H. Abbott; president, J. Williams; first vice-president, A. G. Ferguson; second vice-president, W. Godfrey; third vice-president. C. M. Beecher; hon. secretary, F. T. Salsbury; hon. treasurer, C. A. Wood. Executive, W. F. Stark, V. Laursen, E. A. Harvey, F. J. Painton, E. A. Harvey, A Purvis, J. Garden, F. Wright, A. Edwards.

WESTMINSTER.

NEW WESTMINSTER, March 17.—Comment is being caused by the refusal of the Imperial Operatic Company to pay the regular license asked by the city. The company claim that they are an organization of amateurs made up of local and Vancouver young people and do not come under the head of licensed companies. The matter is still under consideration by the council.

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of the New Westminster Lacrosse club: Hon. president, Mayor Shiles: president, G. D. Brymner; first vice-president, J. J. Cambridge; second vice-president, J. E. Phillips; secretary, Percy Peele; treasurer, T. J. Lewis; field captain, J. J. Cambridge; executive committee, Messrs. Cheney, Snell, C. D. Peele, and Glover Bowler.

NANAIMO.

NANAIMO, March 17.—Six more parties of prospectors have left for Barclay sound and a few have come in, confirming previous reports of the excellent showings being made on the sound.

News from the mines on Mineral Hill is rather scarce just now, no new work or new finds being started or made of late.

REVELSTOKE.

REVELSTOKE, March 16.—Ore shipments through Revelstoke since last report are as follows:

	Tons.	Value.	Dest'n.
Slocan Star	180	13,669	Omaha.
Idaho	100	11,856	"
Enterprise	40	5,335	"
G. H. Ayland	40	4,373	"
Rubey Silver	15	1,716	"
Monitor	40	4,780	Everett.
Total	415	$41,729	

ROSSLAND.

(From the Rossland Miner.)

W. S. Weeks has brought in some good looking samples from the Diamond Dust, adjoining the Commander. The tunnel is in 86 feet, and the face seems well mineralized.

A. Stiles, manager of the Royal Gold, brought samples from the bottom of the 55-foot inclined shaft on the property, which look very promising. The width of the vein has increased from two to five feet in the last dozen feet.

The shift boss in No. 12 stope at the O. K. mine, met with a fearful accident recently. A shot had been fired and he went into the tunnel to sound the rock when a loose piece fell. It struck him on the head, slightly to the left, and literally scalped that side of his head and then struck his foot, cutting clean through the bones and fearfully lacerating the instep and toes.

The Morning Star will resume operations within the next ten days. A contract has been entered into with the Jenckes Machine company of Sherbrooke, Quebec, for a 40-horse power hoisting engine and boiler, steel cable, self-dumping ore bucket, steam drill and a Cameron sinking pump.

The option held by M. D. Book & Co., of New York, on the Highland group, four miles north of here, has been taken up by an Austrian syndicate through a Mr. Beck, of London. The price of the property, which consists of the Sierra Madre and the Highland, is $32,000.

The brokers, who have been holding meetings for several days, have completed preliminaries to organize a stock exchange.

C. H. Ellicott, provincial surveyor, has received crown grants for eleven mineral claims situated near Rossland: Butte, Marion, Rob Roy, Iron Queen No. 2, Della Cola, Camp Bird, Consolidation, Knight Templar, Arizona, Sunnyside and Phœnix.

Police Magistrate Townsend was called upon to administer justice in the case of E. Escalet v. George Pfunder. Mr. Escalet is a well known hotel man. Mr. Pfunder is the manager of the Colonna mine. The complaint against Mr. Pfunder was that he struck Mr. Escalet dangerously near the point of the chin. The trouble came about in the cafe, caused by a dispute over the charge for dinner. Mr. Pfunder told the magistrate that he did not strike Mr. Escalet hard, only punched him mildly, but he made no vigorous defence. Mr. Escalet said that the defendant struck him on the jaw so hard that he has not been able to eat anything but soup since. Mr. Pfunder promptly paid a fine of $10 and costs.

The Maud S. will take rank as a very rich mine. Work has been done in two places on the claim. An open crosscut is being run at the discovery point on the ledge, with the purpose of learning the actual width of the ore body. It is now in 25 feet and has been in ore all the way. Mr. Cromie thinks the vein is 70 or 80 feet wide at this point. The ore shows much visible gold and is undoubtedly high grade. At a distance of 200 feet further down the ledge a shaft has been started, and this is down 15 feet and in solid, clean quartz. Mr. Cromie had six assays made from ore in the shaft, and the returns, as noted by a representative of the Miner, were as follows: $172, $128, $35, $41, $107—an average of $108. This indicates an ore body of extraordinary richness. Mr. Cromie and his associates have secured the Endicott and Snowflake, both adjoining the Maud S. on the same ledge.

NELSON.

[From the Nelson Miner.]

Another big strike has been made in the lower tunnel of the Silver King mine. The body is the one located some time ago by the diamond drill. It seems to meet all expectations for richness and quantity.

Frank Fletcher has received word that a rich ore body has been struck in the main tunnel of the Fern mine, 350 feet from the mouth of the tunnel. The chute is 30 inches wide and assays made to-day of samples taken across the face gave an average value of 12 ounces of gold, a considerable percentage of which is free-milling.

The Hidden Secret and Legal Tender mineral claims on Hooker creek have been stocked for $1,000,000, under the name of the Crawford Bay Mining Company. Some exceptionally high grade ore has been taken from the property.

S. S. Bailey has bonded the Great Northern, Argenta, Del Norte and Fred Dubois claims for $35,000. The property is situated on Hell Roaring creek, in East Kootenay.

Property valuations in Nelson have increased generally about 15 per cent. during the past year, and notwithstanding the fact that over $150,000 worth of new buildings have been erected during that period there has not been the faintest suspicion of a real estate boom. Business lots that sold for $4,000 sixty days ago cannot now be secured for less than $5,000. Residence lots are reasonable and in some of the outlying districts the same prices are asked that obtained twelve months ago. Probably the greatest increase in values has been in the property sold at public auction by the government last autumn, in many cases three and four times their original value.

(From the Tribune.)

During the week the ore and matte entered at Nelson from the mines and smelters of Southern Kootenay was valued at $185,690. The ore was drawn about equally from the Slocan and Trail Creek districts. This week's shipments bring the total shipments from the district for the present year up to $1,801,289, exclusive of the Slocan shipments exported over the Nakusp & Slocan railway during the present month, which were entered at the outport of Revelstoke.

On Wednesday the Canadian Pacific Mining Company, operating on Woodberry creek, sent a load of concentrates to the sampling works at Kaslo. This is the first shipment from the properties of this company made in this way, and much interest is felt in the result. The ore came up in charge of Mr. Drummond, who put in the machinery for the compressor in operation at the mine.

A group of mineral claims located on Crawford creek about four miles from its mouth, consisting of the Winnie McCrea, Darling, Lily May, Iron Queen, Sunrise and Van Ness, has been purchased by W. W. Sherrod, and a company will be organized to develop them. Articles of incorporation have not yet been published.

PATENT REPORT.

Messrs. Marion & Marion, solicitors of patents and experts, Temple building, Montreal, furnish us the following list of patents granted this week to Canadian inventors by the United States government:

No. 578,199, Edmond F. B. Bourne, Vancouver, Canada, sorting table.

No. 578,206, Philippe Bunau-Varille, Paris, France, apparatus for washing and separating minerals, metals, etc.

No. 578,011. Pierre D. Girardet, fils, Paris, France, bicycle.

No. 578,108, Alexander Laing, Essex, Canada, planetarium.

No. 578,084, John F. Lash, Toronto, Canada, door check.

No. 578,260, James Oag and J. McDonald, Toronto, Canada, driving gear for bicycles.

No. 26,706, Christiana Eagle, Weston, Canada, frying pan cover.

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Following is an extract from "Mining," the official journal of the Northwest Mining Association:

"GIBSON & PALOUSE—There have been seven men at work all winter on this group. At present two tunnels are being run to crosscut the veins. No 1 tunnel is now in 150 feet, and has cut No. 1 and No. 2 leads, and a drift is now being run on No. 1 lead. On No. 3 lead a 178-foot tunnel has been run and a winze has been sunk which is now down 18 feet and shows nine inches of ore. The ore of this property runs from 128 to 400 ounces of silver and from 61 to 78 per cent lead. The property is owned by the Gibson Mining & Milling Co. A large block of the Treasury Stock has been sold, and the price has advanced to 12½c."

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W. A. Carlyle, Provincial Mineralogist in his report of the Slocan District, referres to the Argo: "Ore was found during the past summer, and on the surface in one place the vein was cleaned off for 10 to 12 feet, showing a maximum width of three to four feet of solid ore."

Assays for silver and lead have given value $90 to $125 per ton.

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MINING CLAIMS

REPORTED ON

By Mr. D. R. IRVINE (formerly of Her Majesty's Geological Survey, Scotland.) Apply to ROBT. H. SWINERTON, Sec.-Treas. The Victoria Mining & Development Co., Ld., Lby, 106 Government street, Victoria, B.C. fe17

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Pursuant to the "Execution Act"

In the County Court of Vancouver Holden at Vancouver, Between The British Columbia Mills Timber & Trading Co., Limited Liability, Plaintiffs, and Nils Christian Hjorth, Defendant.

In obedience to a writ of Fieri Facias issued out of the County Court of Vancouver holden at Vancouver and to me directed in the above mentioned suit for the sum of $325.74 and $7 50 for costs of execution and also interest on $325.74 at 6 per cent. per annum on the 24th day of October, A.D. 1896, besides sheriff's poundage, officers' fees and all other legal incidental expenses, I have seized and will offer for sale by public auction at the Court House, Front Street, in the City of Nanaimo, on Saturday, 20th day of March, A.D 1897, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, all the right, title and interest of Nils Christian Hjorth, the defendant, in the lands described in this advertisement, or sufficient thereof to satisfy the judgment, debt and cost in this action.

District.	No. of Lots.	Concise Description of Property	Estate or Interest.
Coast.	Lot 156, Range 1.	160 acres.	Equitable interest.

When to be Sold.	Where to be Sold.
The 20th day of March, A.D. 189', at the hour 12 o'clock noon.	At the Court House, Front Street, in the City of Nanaimo.

The above judgment was registered at the Land Registry Office, Victoria, on the 24th day of October, A.D. 1896.

The following charges appear registered against the said defendant and his interest in the said lands:

1. Judgment of Arthur N. Smith against Nils Christian Hjorth, registered 30th December, 1896, for $166.83.

2. Judgment of the British Columbia Mills Timber & Trading Company, Limited Liability, agains Nils Christian Hjorth for $325.74, registered 24th October, 1896

3. Certificate of Lis Pendens in a certain action between Nils Christian Hjorth, plaintiff, and Arthur Neville Smith, defendant, registered 17th August, 1896.

S. DRAKE,
Sheriff for the County of Nanaimo.
Dated at Nanaimo this 8th day of March, 1897.
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The "Belt" lies alongside the "Argo." Development work consists of one tunnel driven for a distance of 227 feet, another of 40 feet above this one, also a shaft from the croppings to the lower tunnel.

On the surface a magnificent body of ore is shown by an open cut the paystreak averaging about 16 inches in width.

No. 1 tunnel is driven a distance of 40 feet on the lead and has ore from its mouth to the face, a shaft or winze was then sunk on the lead for a perpendicular distence of 46 feet.

No. 2 tunnel, which was started below No. 1, is now in 227 feet and has solid ore on the roof, the floor and the face averaging from six to 16 inches.

From a calculation recently made there is now standing, blocked out, about $20,000 of clean ore, besides a large amount of carbonates running as high as the galena.

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W. A. CARLYLE, Provincial Mineralogist, in his recent report of the Slocan District, states: "That on the surface in one place the vein was cleared off for ten to twelve feet, showing a maximum width of three to four feet of solid ore." This report was made before the mine was developed to its present condition.

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	Daily	Sat'day
Lv. Victoria for Nanaimo and Wellington	A.M. 8:00	P.M. 3:20
Ar. Nanaimo	11:40	6:38
Ar. Wellington	12:00	6:55

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	Daily	Sat'day
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Lv. Nanaimo for Victoria	8:40	3:45
Ar. Victoria	12:20	7:00

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"	Majestic	Apr 7
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Feb.... 4, 10, 15, 20, 25	Feb.... 1, 7, 13, 18, 23, 28
Mar....2, 7, 12, 17, 22, 27	Mar...5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30

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TIME TABLE No. 29.

Takes effect December 24th, 1896.

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For Pender and Moresby Islands—Thursday at o'clock.

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JOHN IRVING, Manager
G. A. CARLETON, General Agent
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A MISSTATEMENT CORRECTED.

The Nelson Miner says the Government has piled up a debt of "appalling magnitude" by "subsidizing railway schemes for the benefit of promoters who are in the government ring." Possibly the Miner believes this. There is no limit to what a man can believe when he sets in to make an exhibition of partizan malice. But let us see just how much truth there is in the statement. Up to June 30, 1896, the government had paid out the following sums of money on account of railway subsidies:

Shuswap and Okanagan	$228,572 46
Victoria and Sidney	21,225 00
Nakusp and Slocan	83,186 85
	$332,983 81

And it has received against these amounts the following sums:

Shuswap and Okanagan	$204,284 81
Nakusp and Slocan	138,951 49
	$343,236 30
Deduct total paid out	332,983 81
Balance to credit of the Province	$ 10,252 49

Thus it appears that instead of a debt of appalling magnitude having been piled up by subsidizing railways the provincial treasury has a balance to the credit of that department of the public expenditure. It is true that the Province is the guarantor of the principal and interest of the bonds issued by the Nakusp and Slocan railway, which amount to $647,072, but this is secured by a mortgage on the road, and we would like to have the Miner express its honest belief as to whether or not that road is likely to earn the interest in the future. This interest calls for $25,882.87 per annum. Under present arrangements the government receives 40 per cent. of the gross earnings of the road, which in the year June 30, 1896, amounted to $11,266.13. These bonds are redeemable in 1918. Will the Miner go on record as saying that the development of Kootenay will be so meagre that this road will not, during the next 21 years, earn enough to meet the interest and provide a sinking fund to take up the bonds? Unless the Miner is prepared to contend that the road has reached its maximum earning capacity, or practically so, it cannot logically claim that the assumption of the guarantee for the bonds of this road has added one dollar to the indebtedness of the Province; for as the above figures show, the government has received on account of the Nakusp and Slocan more than it has paid out on its account.

The Shuswap and Okanagan and the Victoria and Sidney bonds are not a permanent liability. They entail annual charges for interest amounting in round numbers to $71,700. The payments on these accounts so far total at $249,797.46, but against them are receipts from the Dominion for subsidy for the first named road and earnings of that road amounting to $204,324.81. So that the total burden which the treasury has had to bear on account of these two roads is $45,502.65, which is more than offset, as shown above, by the receipts from the Nakusp and Slocan. How much longer the Shuswap and Okanagan will continue to be unable to meet its own interest — last year it paid nearly 20 per cent. of it — is a matter for speculation, but in view of the early construction of railway connection south and east of Penticton and the undoubted wealth of the country from mineral and agricultural point of view, we think it may be safely claimed that only a short time will be required to relieve the revenue of the province of any charge on account of this interest. The small annual charge, $6,030, on account of the interest on the Victoria & Sidney guarantee may be wiped out any year.

We think these figures effectually disposed of the charge that the province has been plunged in debt by the granting of railway subsidies to favorites or anyone else.

THE RICHES OF SLOCAN.

Twelve Slocan mines sent to Kaslo last week sufficient ore to make their output for the year worth $3,900,000, if the present rate is continued. The probability is that it will be exceeded, but even if it shall not go beyond $4,000,000 the amount will be remarkable. Let us make a few comparisons by way of illustration. The total output of coal in Nova Scotia in 1895 was worth $3,540,516. The total output of the Canadian copper mines in 1895 was $249,229. The total output of iron for the same year was worth $238,070. The value of all the gold produced in Canada in 1895 was $1,910,900 that of the silver $1,158,633. Now let us take up another line. The total value of all the coal exported from the Dominion in the year ending June 30, 1896, was $3,457,465; that of canned salmon $2,536,755; Nova Scotia's export of lumber was $2,272,879; Ontario's whole export of manufactures was $4,092,397; all the exports of New Brunswick, except lumber, combined were worth $2,364,399; all the exports of Manitoba were worth $2,005,867. Compare these figures with the prospective output of these twelve Slocan mines. Consider, moreover, that the year 1897 will witness great development in Slocan and then reflect that Slocan is only one of the rich mining fields of this province.

EVEN a prize fight may point a valuable moral, Fitzsimmons, a lighter man and a less "scientific" boxer than Corbett, disposed of that individual in very handy fashion yesterday. The Shah of Persia is credited with having declined to attend the Derby on the ground that he was "already aware that one horse could run faster than another," and so it may be assumed as a general proposition that one man can box better than another, but the fact remains that the man who won yesterday's contest was not he, who with infinite care and with all the skill which experience and ingenuity could suggest, prepared himself for a supreme effort, but he who kept himself fit all the time. Fitzsimmons having determined to make pugilism his calling lived so as to be always ready for an encounter on a minimum of preparation, and his unprecedented list of ring triumphs shows the wisdom of his plan. Corbett, on the other hand, though endowed with a larger physique and greater intelligence, was erratic. He took liberties with his tremendous physical powers and these failed him at the most critical moment. Bob Fitzsimmons is hardly an ideal personage, perhaps; but he has always been an honest fighter and has set a conspicuous example of the value of a constant state of preparation.

WORK is being pushed on the Panama Canal and it is said that the waterway will be opened to navigation in six or eight years. The idea of a ditch cut to the level of the ocean, which was De Lesseps plan, has been abandoned and there will be ten locks. The change will save an amount variously estimated from $200,000,000 to $400,000,000. The condition of this enterprise will have a material effect upon the fortunes of the Nicaragua canal project, which, by the way, has received its quietus so far as the schemes heretofore exploited are concerned.

THE wisdom of some politicians is exhibited by the fact that the American congress is worrying itself about the conservation of the South American commerce of the United States although South American countries only take 4 per cent. of the exports of the republic and is apparently indifferent to the commerce of the British Empire, which takes 57 per cent.

JERRY SIMPSON, the erstwhile "sockless," who, it may be mentioned, is a native of Moncton, N. B., has in these later and degenerate days adopted a costume which bespeaks financial prosperity. He went to the Kansas legislature the other day and was removed from the building by order of the house, which could not stand his new and elegant toggery.

A CORRESPONDENT of the Tacoma Ledger says that within a radius of two miles of Grand Forks there are thirty mines that could ship ore if railway communication was provided. This is a pretty big claim to make.

THE Post-Intelligencer has discovered that a man born in a republic has the privileges of a citizen, and the man born in a monarchy the disabilities of a subject. The "disabilities" of a British subject are preferable to the "privileges" of American citizenship.

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THE GREAT SLOCAN.

The ore receipts at Kaslo for the week just ended are the largest in the history of the Slocan district, reaching the magnificent total of 800 tons. This ore came from twelve mines and represents a value of $75,000. This is a spledid sum to be poured out to the owners of the mines represented. It means nearly $4,000,000 a year. And yet the Slocan is a new district and is in its early infancy. It is just beginning to attract the attention of the world, but before the close of 1897 its position as the richest silver producer of this or any other continent will be universally conceded. — Rossland Miner.

A NEW OLIVER TWIST.

Our citizens propose to, in the immediate future, present to the legislature of this province a "balance sheet," showing the amounts of money Trail has contributed to the province and the large blank space that represents the money the province has contributed to the improvement and protection of the town, and will ask for an appropriation to improve our streets and protect our town from fire, flood and other threatening evils.—Trail Creek News.

THAT PROPOSED VETO.

Let such a policy be once attempted and British Columbia will again bring the rest of the Dominion to its marrow-bones, as she has already done on memorable occasions in the past.—Vancouver World.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

"I wonder who wrote that song about 'Down in a Coal Mine'?" asked the reminiscent boarder. "I suppose he was one of these minor poets we hear so much of," said Ashbury Peppers.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

"Pushpen is a ready writer, isn't he?" "Yes, he writes readily enough, but the trouble is he can't think."—Chicago Record.

"Do pro and con always refer to things that are opposed to each other?" "Yes." "Then I understand why congress is always in opposition to progress."—Chicago Tribune.

Minister—My friend, are you prepared to leave your earthly tenement? Parishioner—Oh! go look me up in the commercial agencies! I live on Fifth avenue.—Puck.

Bacon—Is he an astronomer? Egbert—No, indeed. "Some one told me he made money out of the stars." "That's right. He's a theatrical manager."—Yonkers Statesman.

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LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

The private bills before the legislature are many and the questions involved in them are intricate. It is to be hoped that no considerations as to time will influence either side of the house to hurry these bills through. Better that the session should be a prolonged one than that mistakes should be made in private legislation. The great source of danger is in the fact that when capital has been invested on the strength of legislative enactment, the privileges conferred become in a sense vested rights, and it is not very easy and not always fair to abridge them, even though the public interest may seem to demand it.

Supply goes over until Tuesday.

There seems to be a disposition on the part of a few members of the house to interpose all manner of obstacles to the investment of capital in this country. If some of those gentlemen who believe themselves to be advanced reformers could have their way every man having a dollar to invest would shun this province as they would a plague spot. We cannot get capital to develop our resources if we surround investment with novel and burdensome restrictions.

It is understood that a number of ladies are preparing for a descent upon the legislature to present their claims to the ballot. When the fateful hour comes the sergeant-at-arms should be directed to lock the door and let no guilty man escape.

Mr. Kennedy's insurance bill looks like a premium on incendiarism. Of course nothing is farther from the promoter's intention than to make it an object for persons whose property is over-insured to have it destroyed by fire; but if it is the law that an insurance company shall pay the amount of the policy no matter what may be the value of the property, the temptation to overvalue property and then have it burned will be very great. It is a man's own fault if he insures his property for more than it is worth, and no one should be allowed to take advantage of his own wrong.

The bill had a close call on second reading—only the Speaker's vote saving it. One would fancy that its final fate would not be in much doubt. Have the friends of this measure counted the cost of it in case it becomes law. One thing may always be taken as certain, namely, that the greater the burden imposed on the insurance company the greater the charges to be paid by the insured. Is such a law in force anywhere else, and if so how does it work?

The precedents which establish the custom under which Mr. Speaker gives his casting vote for a second reading are reasonable. There are other opportunities to kill an objectionable bill and a measure which half the house wants passed may well be allowed to go into the hands of the committee of the whole for further discussion.

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Having been requested by the Local Council of Women, through the President, to call a public meeting for the purpose of considering the best means of assisting and furthering the scheme of commemorating the celebration of Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee, to be called the Victoria Order of Home Helpers, a public meeting will therefore be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Thursday the 18th inst., at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

CHAS. E. REDFERN,
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THE CITY.

THE loss by fire at Christ Church cathedral has been adjusted at $363.

BISHOP PERRIN held the third and last of his lantern services in St. James church last evening.

BISHOP PERRIN will conduct a special Lenten service for children at the cathedral this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

MEMBERS of No. 1 Company, Fifth Regiment, wishing drill cards, can now obtain them on application to Lieut. D. B. McConnan.

LAWRENCE MOONEY has returned to the provincial jail, after a brief visit with city friends. This time it was stealing blankets—three months.

THE W. C. T. U., hold their usual monthly business meeting in Temperance hall this afternoon. Canvassers are requested to bring all franchise petitions to the meeting.

IN VIEW of Tuesday evening next being fixed for the Walker-Hext grand concert at the Victoria, the Victoria Wheelmen's Club will hold their adjourned general meeting the evening following. Great interest is already manifested in the arrangements for the concert, which promises to be one of the most meritorious musical events of the season.

THIS evening at 8 a public meeting will be held in the city hall to take into consideration Lady Aberdeen's scheme for the celebration of Her Majesty's diamond jubilee by establishing a Victorian Order of Home Helpers." The project was described at length when it was before the Women's Council—members of that organization now invite an expression of opinion by the public as to the merits of the plan.

THE Young Liberal Association rooms in the Adelphi building, which have been very attractively and comfortably fitted up, were opened with a well attended smoking concert last evening. A splendid programme was provided, the different contributors to the enjoyment being Mr. Douglas, J. G. Brown, J. Harrison, James Pilling, James Dooley, F. Raitt, Geo. E. Fisher, Prof. Walsh, Messrs. Gallant, Anderson, Wilson, Stieger, Prof. Walsh and members of the Mandolin club.

IN honor of ould Ireland and her patron saint the Sons of Erin, like dutiful and devoted children of the Emerald Isle, celebrated their national anniversary by a jovial smoking concert in Pioneer hall. Mr. A. St. G. Flint presided in his own inimitable, witty and affable style, and the society and their guests spent a very pleasant time, with plenty of songs and bright little addresses to make the time pass merrily. Refreshments were served during the evening, and a jolly, sociable time was passed.

AT the residence of Mr. C. Booth, 65 Chambers street, last evening, Mr. W. O. Carter, and Miss Hattie Collins, of Berwick, N.S., were united in the bonds of holy matrimony by Bishop Cridge. Only the immediate members of the family were present, but the young couple enjoy the best wishes of a very wide circle of friends. Mr. Carter is popularly known in Victoria, having for several years been connected with the provincial assessor's office. Both he and his bride were the recipients of numerous presents. They will make their home on Harrison street.

THE Scottish concert to be given in the Victoria theatre next Wednesday, promises to be the event of the musical season. The concert is under the auspices of the Scottish societies of Victoria and it is in aid of the fund for the erection of a fountain to the memory of Robert Burns, the Scottish national bard. Photographs of the proposed memorial are to be seen in some of the principal stores from the designs by Mr. E. B. McKay of the provincial lands and works department. It is proposed to place the fountain near the bandstand in Beacon Hill park on a site already granted by the city council. The societies have placed the management of this concert in the hands of Mr. J. G. Brown, a wise and judicious choice and he has already secured the services of the following ladies and gentlemen, whose names are well known to all in Victoria. Mrs. McCandless, Miss Jamieson, Mrs. Gregson, Miss Blackie, Miss Johnson, Mr. James Pilling, Mr. W. D. Kinnard, Mr. W. Muir, Master McKenzie, Master Douglas, Mr. W. Allan, Mr. J. G. Brown and Mr. Friemuth. In addition a choir of 125 voices will sing some of Scotland's stirring songs, this will be unique in the history of Victoria, so large a chorus never having been brought together before.

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PROHIBITION REFUSED.

Decision on the Motion to Prevent Judge Forin Adjudicating in the Case of Mr. Chipman.

Mr. Justice Drake yesterday gave his decision on the motion made on Monday to prohibit Judge Forin as stipendiary magistrate at Nelson from hearing an information brought against Mr. E. E. Chipman, police magistrate of Kaslo by Mr. G. O. Buchanan. In refusing to grant the prohibition, Mr. Justice Drake recites the circumstances of the case, which have already been published, and holds that Mr. Stone, J. P. of Kaslo, in granting a summons returnable at Nelson against Chipman acted rightly. The objection that the offense was created by a by-law of Kaslo and therefore must be enforced by the corporation was held not valid. The judgment concludes. "It has to be remembered that the writ of prohibition is a discretionary writ only and will not be granted unless there is a a clear failure of jurisdiction. I am not prepared to say that the adjournment to Nelson by Mr. Stone though in my opinion improper, was in excess of his jurisdiction, as he was when issuing the summons acting within his jurisdiction, neither am I prepared to say that Mr. Forin, a stipendiary magistrate for the province, when he heard the complaint was acting without his authority. The motion must therefore be refused with costs."

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

Football Fixtures for Saturday—Nanaimo Enthusiastically Organizing a Rowing Club.

FOOTBALL.

SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

The following team will represent the Fifth Regiment in their match with H.M.S. Comus next Saturday at the Hill: Full back, W. T. Williams; three-quarters, J. Pemberton, B. Pinder, H. B. Haines and H. A. Holmes; half backs, P. R. Daniels and T. P. Patton (captain); forwards, C. Schwengers, J. R. Gaudin, J. Bridgman, J. A. Futcher, T. A. Atkins, A. B. Spain, H. H. McLeish and E. S. Tuck. Owing to this game, the England vs. Colonies match has been postponed.

THE R.M.A.'S FOR NANAIMO.

The following have been selected to represent The Barracks in their cup tie match with the Nanaimo Rangers on Saturday at Nanaimo: G. Hall, C. Hanbury, J. E. H. Phillips, C. Cannon and W. Chapman, forwards; C. R. Kelly, W. H. Rann and F. Towsenend (captain), half-backs, and G. Stewart and H. Gadsby, backs, and E. W. Lyons, goal.

THE OAR.

NANAIMO IN LINE.

Nanaimo, which boasts one of the prettiest harbors on the Pacific coast, is waking up to the fact that it should have its representatives afloat as well as on the football field. Mr. W. E. Greene has started the ball rolling, in a spirited speech at the Hornets' banquet last Saturday. "The question of having a successful rowing club was," he said—to quote the Free Press—"only a question of influential business support from a financial standpoint. He believed if the venture received the organized support of the business men of the city, it would be taken up with vigor, and that Nanaimo would stand a good chance of securing the championship, now in the possession of Victoria," Mr. Greene's suggestion has been taken up with the enthusiasm characteristic of Nanaimo, and promises to be productive of result before the coming summer.

PERSONAL.

C. Stark, of Charles Stark & Co., Toronto, is a guest at the Queens.

J. H. Todd returned from the Sound by the City of Kingston yesterday.

Frank Fletcher arrived from Nelson yesterday and is registered at the Driard.

J. A. Mara, Dr. G. L. Milne and T. R. McInnes were passengers from the Mainland by last evening's Charmer.

H. E. Lewis, San Francisco, and B. Rosenstein and Mrs. Rosenstein, and H. E. Lewis, Portland, are at the Driard.

Max Leiser and Mrs. Gustav Leiser were among the Victorians returning home by yesterday's regular steamer from the Mainland.

Alfred E. Laybowne, London, England; Samuel Jones, Farnham; W. Cheal and A. C. Cheal, Cobble Hill; R. F. Kelly, Vancouver; John Summer and Wm. Care, Chemainus; Walter Ford, Koksilah; J. Whitworth, Ladner; A. J. Lighthurst, Roche Harbor; Mrs. Smith and family, Skeena; Paul Brentzen and George Henry, Fort Simpson; H. W. Ferguson Pollock, San Juan; and A. C. McCallum, Cowichan, are guests at the Occidental.

DR. MARY MACNEILL read a practical and deeply interesting paper on "Heredity and Hygiene" in the Oak Bay Presbyterian church yesterday afternoon. The subject being one of vital interest to everyone, the attendance was large for an afternoon gathering.

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A BIG LUMBER ORDER

Japan Wants the Pacific Coast Article—Contracts for a Large Quantity Reported.

Steamer "Warrimoo" En Route From Australia—Another Salmon Vessel Spoken.

The Seattle Press-Times says: Japan wants more Pacific coast lumber and the experimental shipments made from Seattle last year have borne such fruit that the trade is now looked upon as permanent. The coming season will show extraordinary development in the trade, which will be largely carried on with sailing vessels.

The Osaka Lumber Company in Central Japan, the Nagasaki Company in Southern Japan, and the Tokio Company have all made contracts, it is said, with mill companies on this coast for a large output the coming season.

Mr. Kido, the Japanese agent here of the Osaka company, left about the first of March for home and will not be back before July or August, but it is reported that he made arrangements for the coming season before leaving with the Kerry Lumber company, which cut 10,000,000 feet for them last year with which to stock up their yard. It is said the Kerry company will cut another 10,000,000 feet this summer. Mr. Kido's father is president of the Osaka Lumber company.

The Port Gamble Company, it is said, is cutting for the Nagasaki Company and the Chemainus mills of British Columbia are also to cut for the Japan trade. It will require a fleet of sailing vessels about seventeen in number to carry the business.

Since the departure of the five-masted Inca which was specially chartered to carry a big cargo from here, shipments have been made regularly by regular steamships but the freight rates are too high to make it as successful as those interested desire. The lumber rates by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha have been $7 per thousand and the cost of the lumber here $8.

A Japanese resident of Seattle has been experimenting with the shipment of orange boxes from here with a view of supplying the trade of Japan not only with these but with tea boxes as well, and the success of such a venture would mean the establishment here of a new and important industry. Millions of boxes are needed every year in Japan for the tea crops. One shipment of orange boxes was made and with reasonable freight the Pacific Coast could secure the business. He says the boxes here can be made at about one-half what they can be made for in Japan, owing to the scarcity and high prices of lumber there. However boxes that cost him here about five cents, cost for freight alone about four cents, so that on the experimental shipment made, he came out about even, getting his boxes laid down there for just about what they were costing the home manufacturer. He has investigated the tea box industry and contemplates giving up business here to engage in it, if satisfactory freight rates can be secured.

NORTHERN TRADE COMMENCES.

That the Northern British Columbia trade is opening in earnest was evidenced by the big cargo taken way by the Danube, Captain Meyer, on her sailing for the Naas and way ports last evening. The bulk of the vessel's load was cannery supplies, the heaviest shipments being tin and lead. The steamship also carried a big number of passengers, among whom were Messrs. Kirkland and Clow, R. Cunningham, G. A. McTavish, J. A. Carthew, B. J. Nicklin, H. Davidson and A. S. Robertson, Mrs. Simpson and J. D. Byron and family. A crowd of Chinamen, bound for the canneries, also left on the steamer, which will call, as is customary, at Vancouver on her way north.

INBOUND FROM AUSTRALIA.

Advices from Sydney, N.L.W., state that the Warrimoo sailed last Friday afternoon having on board among other shipments 50,000 pounds of overland cargo and 100 tons general freight for Victoria. As passengers she has ten saloon and ten steerage for Victoria and Vancouver, and ten saloon for overland points. Capt. White, her skipper, expects to reach Victoria on schedule time.

MARINE NOTES.

A majority of the steamboat companies of Puget Sound have effected an organization to be known as the Puget Sound Steamboat Association. This consolidation of interests has long been contemplated and is said to be a step of great importance to the future of steamboat traffic on Puget Sound. The organization will revise the freight tariff now in force and it is understood will endeavor to effect lower and more uniform charges.

Collector Milne yesterday wrote Capt. T. P. H. Whitelaw to ascertain the reason of the latter's delay in coming to remove the San Pedro from Brotchie ledge. As will be remembered a letter which Mr. Milne received some time ago, stated that Captain Whitelaw would be here on the first of this month.

Steamer Tees sails for Quatsino and ports en route on Saturday evening, carrying to Cape Scott the Danish delegation who are going to test the fertility of the soil and report upon its adaptibility for colonization purposes.

The bark Northbrook, Capt. Fletcher, reached the Royal Roads in ballast from Honolulu yesterday morning. She is under charter to load for South Australia.

The American ship Wachusett, 1,519 tons, well known in the Coast coal trade, has been chartered to load lumber at Chemainus for Sydney at £1, 11s. 3d.

The British bark Glenogil from New Westminster to Liverpool with salmon was spoken on Jan. 6 in lat. 49, 16 S. long. 54 W.

The sealer Teresa, Capt. Meyer, cleared yesterday on her spring cruise. She will carry eight white men and twenty Indians.

Messrs. Findlay, Durham & Brodie's new cannery tender Edith leaves for Rivers Inlet to-day.

ENTERED.

Str. Charmer ..... from Vancouver.
" City of Kingston. " Port Townsend.
" Rosalie ..... " " "
Sloop Levina ..... " Cowichan.

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" Rosalie ..... " " "
" Danube ..... " Vancouver.
" Tees ..... " Cape Scott.
Schr. Teresa ..... " N.P.O.
Sloop Levina ..... " Cowichan.

ILL LUCK AND SICKNESS

Befell Captain Black's Party on Their Trip to the Omineca.

Captain C. W. Black's party, which left here for Omineca about a month ago, has, according to telegraphic advices, been meeting with ill luck, sickness having seriously militated against its progress. A few weeks ago news was received of one of its number, Fred Rogers, contracting pneumonia and being obliged to return to Victoria. Now comes the information that four more of the party—Messrs. McLean, Barlow, W. H. Clarke and John A. Matthews—were left with Rogers at a wayside inn along the Cariboo road suffering from the same complaint, and that Matthews has since died. His funeral took place at Quesnelle last Sunday, being conducted by the Masonic order. The deceased was a member of Whitby lodge, A. F. & A. M., and has long been identified with mining on this Coast, having begun his career in this business with J. C. Anderson in Alabama years ago. In recent years the deceased, after inventing and constructing a dredger to take gold out of the bed of the Fraser interested himself with Mr. Anderson in some West Coast mining properties, finding his invention requiring more capital than was at his disposal. He was 43 years of age and a native of Whitby, Ont. Captain Black and his party, save those he was obliged to leave behind, continued their journey from Quesnelle on Thursday last. Their trip thus far has been greatly retarded by cold, stormy weather, and it is to this that the sickness of the men is attributed. The trip in this respect is not any way to be compared with the same journey which Capt. Black made a year ago.

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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

Third Session of the Seventh Parliament.

TWENTY-FIFTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, March 17.

The Speaker took the chair at 2 o'clock.

Prayers by Rev. Canon Beanlands.

Mr. Helmcken presented a petition from the West Kootenay Land Co. against any interference with their lands in West Kootenay by private bills legislation.

The railway committee reported the preamble proved of the bill to incorporate the Nanaimo-Alberni railway and submitted the same with amendments.

The report was read and received.

The printing committee reported recommending that certain returns already presented to the house be printed.

The house formally went into committee of supply, Mr. Hunter in the chair.

The committee rose and reported, and on motion of the Premier, seconded by Hon. G. B. Martin, it was decided that the house should again go into committee of supply on Tuesday next.

Mr. Graham introduced An Act to amend the Game Protection amendment Act, 1896. The bill was read a first time. There was considerable opposition to second reading, a motion being made for the six months hoist. On a narrow majority, however, the second reading was fixed for to-morrow.

Mr. Williams asked the Attorney-General whether it is the intention of the government to introduce legislation at the present session for the relief of those municipalities disincorporated by reason of the disfranchisement of the electors thereof by the Municipal Clauses Act, 1896, and the Municipal Election Act, 1896?"

Hon. D. M. Eberts—It is the intention of the government to appoint a special committee to which this matter will be referred along with other matters.

Mr. Graham asked the Minister of Mines:

By section 39 of the Mineral Act, free miners are compelled to pay $5 per acre upon the issuing of a crown grant for a mineral claim within the railway belt.

1. Has the provincial authorities any control over this charge?

2. Does this money go into the Provincial or Dominion treasury?

3. If into the Dominion treasury, does any agreement or compact exist with the Dominion authorities for the insertion of such a provision in the mineral act?

4. If such a compact or agreement does exist, what is the nature of it?

Hon. Col. Baker replied:

1. "No."

2. "The money is paid into the Dominion treasury."

3. "Yes."

4. "The agreement has been published in the sessional papers of 1890."

The house went into committee on the West Kootenay Power and Light Co. bill, rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

The report of the Revelstoke, Trout Lake and Big Bend Telephone Co. bill was adopted.

The house went into committee on the Cassiar Railway bill, Mr. Williams in the chair, and reported the bill with amendments.

The following bills were read a second time: Lardeau Railway, Mr. Hume; East Kootenay Railway, Mr. Hume; Vancouver, Victoria and Eastern Railway, Mr. Booth; Stickeen and Teslin Lake Railway, Mr. Helmcken; and Kaslo and Lardo-Duncan Railway, Mr. Hume.

SONGHEES RESERVE.

The Provincial Secretary presented correspondence between the Dominion and Provincial governments in regard to the removal of the Songhees Indians. An extract from a report of the committee of the Privy council at Ottawa states that the delay in the commissioners getting to work is that, owing to a difference of opinion as to the scope of the proposed commission, no instructions have been sent to the commissioners. The order-in-council accompanying contained the following suggestions from the province:

1. Province to bear whole cost of removing Indians.

2. That in consideration of a doubt as to the question of the ownership of the fee simple of the lands, the province should hand over to the Dominion government the fee simple of the lands selected as a reserve in lieu of the present reserve.

3. The present reserve to become property of province.

The Dominion, moreover, is of opinion that the plan proposed was not sufficiently comprehensive to secure a final disposal of the question, and therefore recommends:

1. The appointment of commissioners to select a new reserve; to value it and the present reserve, and assess the value of difference; such difference to be made good by the province; conveying the new reserve in fee simple to the Dominion; the Songhees reserve to revert to the province.

2. The Indians to be compensated for their improvements.

3. The commission to negotiate with the Indians as to arrangements for their removal and to fix the time, the expense to be borne by the province.

4. The expenses of each commissioner to be paid by his government.

5. Nothing agreed upon in this matter to affect the claims of either government as to other Indian reserves.

6. The report of commissioners to be subject to the approval of the respective governments and the Indians to be consenting parties to the removal.

As to the division of the Indian reserves in British Columbia, the Dominion government do not think it advisable until the supreme court decides respecting the rights of the Dominion and Province as to the Indian reserves in the Province.

A copy of the report of a committee of Executive Council of British Columbia, dated 15th March, contains the foregoing and states further that the provincial secretary submits that it would not be equitable for the interest of British Columbia to introduce into the negotiations the question of any compensation to the Indians for their removal other than that of rehabilitation. The present value of the Songhees reserve is not auxillary to the re-location of the Indians upon ground which would satisfy their desires. The value of the present Songhees reserve has been created by causes entirely independent of the said Indians, and in spite of their customs, habits and avocations, and although the Songhees Indians claim by a deed of sale of their lands to the Hudson's Bay Company dated April 30, 1850, the use of the lands "that our village sites and enclosed fields are to be kept for our own use, for the use of our children and for those who may follow us," it does not bar a voluntary surrender the rights of location in consideration of another reserve being given in place of it. Inasmuch as the province agrees to vest the fee simple of the new reserve in the Dominion it is only equitable that the title to the fee of the present Songhees reserve should continue vested in the province. "If an agreement can be arranged," the minute continues, "with the Dominion government in accordance with the aforesaid views of the province the remaining clauses, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, of the proposal as contained in the Privy Council report may be agreed to by the province as a basis upon which the joint commission may act." This minute is approved by the Lieut.-Governor.

FIRE INSURANCE.

Mr. Kennedy in moving the second reading of his Fire Insurance Policy Act Amendment bill stated that it was for the purpose of providing that when a fire insurance company took insurance on a building or fixtures or machinery it should pay the whole amount of the policy in case of fire, unless it was shown that the insured had made false representations which the company had not been able to detect.

Mr. Rithet in moving that the bill be given the six months hoist, stated that the bill was in effect to introduce what was known by insurance men as the value clause. Instead of being a benefit to the public it would inflict a hardship and would result in people having to pay higher premiums than at present for every company would be obliged to have a special valuator for each line of business on the premises or stock on which a policy was desired. If at present there was in any case a higher premium paid than the value of the premises the fault was that of the insured not of the company. At the present time if a man makes an application for insurance he names the value of the property which it is desired to insure and his statement is taken as correct by the company. When fire comes the whole thing is put in the hands of the valuator; in the case of a dispute experts are called in and if the stock is proven to be worth what the insurer claimed the company had to pay the whole of the loss up to the amount of the policy. What fairer proposition could there be than that? Mr. Rithet, besides showing that Mr. Kennedy's bill would result in raising the insurance rates read from the Coast Review to show that the effect would be to make dishonest people turn incendiaries if by that means they could secure more than the actual amount of the loss.

The Premier spoke briefly in support of Mr. Rithet's views and read an article from an insurance paper bearing on the subject.

Mr. Semlin said that if it was immoral for a man to have his property insured for more than it was worth it was equally immoral for a company to take a premium and then not pay the full amount of the policy, but only the amount of the actual loss found.

Mr. Rithet explained that if a man's property depreciated he could always reduce the amount of his policy.

Major Mutter said there were two sides to the question, and there was something wrong with the fire insurance law as at present. He could not see that this bill would help them out at all.

Mr. Macpherson argued that the companies on the Coast were a close combine, and there was practically no opposition, so instead of open competition the public could only get what the companies agreed among themselves to give. He could not see any immorality in a company being obliged to pay the amount of insurance on the amount for which they were paid premiums. The insurance companies should be forced to make returns to the house so that it might be seen exactly what profits the companies made in this province.

Mr. Graham was in favor of the bill.

Mr. Williams opposed the measure. Insurance was only indemnity for loss, and therefore the insured had not the right to receive more than the amount of their loss. However, where a company had been carrying a risk for a greater amount than it was worth, the company should refund the difference. If the bill could be amended to meet this view he would be willing to support it, but not otherwise.

Mr. Booth, in reply to Mr. Macpherson's contentions, said that a fire might come to-morrow that would destroy all the profits the companies had made and more, too. He agreed with Mr. Rithet that the bill, if adopted, would increase the expense of insuring, and he therefore would vote against it.

After some further discussion the second reading was carried, the vote being 13 to 13, the Speaker in pursuance of the English practice voting with the affirmative.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

Mr. Sword, in moving the second reading of his Municipal Elections Act, 1896 Amendment bill, said it was for the purpose of remedying the mistake made last year in depriving the non-resident ratepayers of their votes.

Mr. Williams was sorry the bill did not go further and remedy the trouble which took place in North Vancouver, where, when an election came on this year, there was only one man qualified as a resident to vote.

A little fun was made about the lone resident of North Vancouver, the Attorney General saying that he would probably move to-morrow that a committee should consider the municipal act.

The second reading was carried.

The Premier presented returns of payments made to the Western World.

The Premier presented a return of the moneys donated to the Kamloops fire company prior to the incorporation of the town. The sums, including the period from 1887 to 1893, amounted to $2,750, and were paid in to the treasurer of the company.

Hon. G. B. Martin presented correspondence re the purchase of a parcel of land near Grand Forks by Miss J. Davey.

Hon. G. B. Martin in reference to the return asked for of correspondence relating to the government reserve in Pleasant valley, stated that it could not be brought down until information has been received from the Cariboo agency.

The house then adjourned.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. Hume—For a return showing the number of town lots sold by the government in New Denver and Nelson, giving date of each sale, purchaser's name, amount sold for, amount paid down, balance due, with interest to December 31, 1896.

Dr. Walken on Friday—For a return of all correspondence between the Attorney-General's department and John Biggs of Nanaimo in connection with the illegal seizure of some cattle by the sheriff.

Mr. Macpherson—On the motion for the third reading of the Cassiar Central Railway bill to move that the order for the third reading be discharged and the bill recommitted for the purpose of considering the insertion of a clause prohibiting the employment of Chinese or Japanese laborers.

QUESTIONS.

Dr. Walkem on Friday—Have any of those delinquent taxpayers, whose properties were advertised for sale at last sale of taxes in New Westminster received, rebates?

Mr. Macpherson—On the motion for the third reading of the Cassiar Central Railway bill to move the insertion of a clause obliging the company to give a bond of $3,000 to the government within six months to guarantee their commencing the work of construction within the time specified in the act.

Mr. Williams—To ask the Premier on Friday next.

1. Did business of the province require the attendance of the the finance minister at London England, during the year 1896?

2. What was the nature of such business?

3. Could such business have been attended to by the Hon. F. G. Vernon, the agent-general of this province? If not, why not?

4. Was the agent-general competent to transact such business?

5. If the agent-general is not competent to transact such business, why is he retained in that position at the expense of this country?

6. How many days at London were actually required and occupied by the finance minister in attending to the business aforesaid?

7. Has any relation of the finance minister an interest in the firm of Woolston & Beeton, who received a commission for management of loan authorized by British Columbia Loan act, 1891? Also nature of relationship and interest?

PARLIAMENTARY CUSTOM.

TO THE EDITOR:—As a good deal has been said and writted lately about Mr. Speaker, the House and the Governor, it may be well to see what the custom is when the chair is vacated in giving assent to bills.

The Governor is known to be coming down to the house at a certain hour to give his assent to bills. A few minutes before that hour a member of the government moves "That the house adjourn during pleasure," during which the Speaker may, or may not be in the chamber, just as it suits him. The governor is escorted to the chair by one or two ministers, the titles of the bills are read before him, the clerk or other functionary announces that the Governor has assented to these bills in Her Majesty's name. The Governor then leaves the chair, the Speaker takes his seat and says, "The house will resume." Business may then proceed, or the house may adjourn.

W. J. McD.

ALDERMANIC QUALIFICATION.

TO THE EDITOR:—Your correspondent, "Reform," invites discussion on the property qualification for legislators and aldermen. In this field of political economy will be found many anomalies or contradictions. For instance Dominion senators must have a property qualification of the value of $4,000 above all incumbrances, and yet they cannot initiate or amend money bills, whereas members of the House of Commons, who vote and control the finances of the country, require no qualification beyond being a British subject of full age—and so it is with our provincial legislature.

Why should a citizen without the thrift or the ambition to have a home of his own aspire to municipal honors? Why should such an one be placed in a position to place burdens on my shoulders of which he does not bear a share? Without a personal interest in the city, why should he be entitled to a voice in its government and taxation?

I admit that such a person may have more ability than the man with the property qualification, yet he would be irresponsible in dealing with taxation. I am of opinion that members of parliament, members of the legislature and aldermen, and in fact all bodies dealing with public taxation, should have a good property qualification to make them feel the responsibility of what they do, and whatever touches the public touches them.

I think merchants whose stock in trade is of a certain value, and pay a license, should be eligible for aldermen. Legislators who have enacted laws to exempt themselves from property qualifications have probably taken advantage of their position by being a "law unto themselves." If aldermen are obliged to have a qualification, most certainly should members of parliament have the same in a higher degree. In banks and other public departments clerks placed in responsible positions are obliged to find security for good conduct, and the qualifications of aldermen is an earnest that as interested citizens their acts will be in harmony with the legitimate desires of the citizens.

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Dated this 24th day of February, 1897.

F. B. PEMBERTON,
fe28 Secretary.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, by the Yukon Mining, Trading and Transportation Company, (Foreign), for an act authorizing and empowering the said Company to construct, equip and operate a line of railway from the head of steamboat navigation on Taku Inlet by the most direct and feasible route to Teslin Lake, with all necessary sidetracks, switches, turnouts and terminal facilities; to construct and maintain steamers, ferries, wharves and docks, to make traffic and operating arrangements with other railway lines, and to construct, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines for railway and other purposes.

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fell-d&w On behalf of the said Company.

NOTICE.

The British Columbia Southern Railway Company will apply to the Parliament of Canada at its next session for an act authorizing it to issue bonds to the extent of thirty thousand dollars per mile of its railway including an extension from its eastern terminus in an easterly direction to MacLeod or to a point on the line of the Calgary and MacLeod Railway and thence easterly to Lethbridge, and to make such agreements for conveying or leasing the Company's railway and its rights and powers as is usually given to railway companies in their acts of incorporation, and for other purposes.

GEMMILL & MAY,
Solicitors for Applicants.
Ottawa, 20th January, 1897. ja28

NOTICE is hereby given that the British Columbia Southern Railway Company will apply to the Parliament of Canada at its next session, for an act to declare the said British Columbia Southern Railway Company to be a body corporate and politic within the jurisdiction of the Parliament of Canada, and the company's railway to be a work for the general advantage of Canada, also to authorize the extension of the line of the said railway from its eastern terminus in the Crow's Nest Pass, across and over the eastern boundary of British Columbia, into the Province of Alberta, thence in an easterly direction to MacLeod, or to a point on the line of the Calgary and MacLeod Railway, and there to connect with the same, and thence easterly to Lethbridge.

GEMMILL & MAY,
Solicitors for Applicants.
Ottawa, 18th September, 1896 ja28

Br. Barque "Waterloo"

(Fellows, Master.)

All claims against the above vessel must be forwarded to the undersigned not later than noon Thursday, 18th inst.

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Tenders for Lumber and Nails.

Tenders will be received up to 4 o'clock p.m. of Monday, the 22nd inst., for the supply of Lumber and Nails, at so much per 1,000 feet, and per keg respectively.

Goods to be delivered when and where required, within the city limits, during the year 1897, in accordance with specifications to be seen at the office of the undersigned, to whom the tenders must be addressed.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W. W. NORTHCOTT,
Purchasing Agent for the Corporation.
City Hall, Victoria, B.C., March 10th, 1897. mr17

PROPERTY FOR SALE.

Tenders addressed to the undersigned will be received up to Monday, the 29th day of March, for the purchase of the following property situate in Victoria District, being part of Oakland Estate, known as Lots 48 and 49, portions of Section 29, containing 6.03 acres. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. For further particulars apply to

PEMBERTON & SON,
mr17 Victoria, B.C.

Tenders will be received at H. M. Naval Yard Esquimalt on behalf of the Crown, until noon of Saturday, the 20th March, 1897 for the purchase of the confiscated sealing schooners "Beatrice" and "Viva," now lying in Esquimalt harbor with their equipment as they now stand, of masts, sails, rigging, cables, anchors, boats, etc., etc.

The schooners may be viewed on application to the chief boatswain, Esquimalt yard, and tenders must be addressed to the naval storekeeper endorsed "Tenders for Sealing Schooners."

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

By order of the COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.
Esquimalt Yard, March 6th, 1897.

VALUABLE • FARM • PROPERTY FOR SALE.

Tenders addressed to the undersigned will be received up to the 20th day of March, 1897, for the purchase of Sunnyside Farm, consisting of 1,300 acres more or less, about 360 acres of which are under cultivation. The said farm lies on the west side of the Fraser river, about thirty miles from the town of Quesnelle, Cariboo district, and is at the door of the Cariboo gold mines market. The farm is well supplied with water for irrigation purposes. In connection with it and forming part thereof, is offered 400 acres of meadow land, situate about fifteen miles west of the main body of the farm in Chilcotin.

On the said farm are about 600 cattle of all ages, and about 50 horses, besides a full equipment of the latest farming machinery, including mowers, self-binder, thresher, etc., etc., all of which are to be sold therewith. Good dwelling houses, outhouses, stables, etc., are on the premises.

The title is Crown Grant.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

For further particulars apply to the undersigned.

D. MURPHY,
47 Langley St., Victoria.
fe21 Solicitor for the Owners.

NOTICES.

NOTICE.

Assessment Act and Provincial Revenue Tax.

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with the Statutes, that Provincial Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the Assessment Act are now due for the year 1897. All of the above named taxes collectible within Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt Electoral Districts, North Saanich, Rupert, Sayward, Quatsino, Coast and Queen Charlotte Island Land Districts, with parts of Barclay and Clayoquot Districts assessed by me, are payable at my office.

Assessed taxes are collectible at the following rates viz:—

Four-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

Three quarters of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely: Upon such excess, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and three-quarters of one per cent.

Three per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

If paid on or before the 30th day of June, 1897:

Three-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

One-half of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

Upon such excess of income when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.

Two and one-half per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

Provincial Revenue Tax, $3.00 per capita (residents of Victoria City excepted.)

CORNELIUS BOOTH.
Assessor and Collector.
January 2nd 1897. ja12

British Barque "Waterloo,"

(Fellows, Master.)
From Liverpool, Eng.

This vessel will commence discharging cargo at the Outer Wharf to-day, the 4th inst. Consignees are requested to present bills of lading and pay freight at the office of the undersigned.

All goods left on the wharf after 5 p.m. each day will be stored in warehouse at consignees' risk and expense.

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A VIOLET IN HER HAIR.

A violet in her lovely hair,
A rose upon her bosom fair!
But, oh, her eyes
A lovelier violet disclose!
And her rive lips the sweetest rose
That's 'neath the skies.

A lute beneath her graceful hand
Breathes music forth at her command.
But still her tongue
Far richer music calls to birth
Than all the minstrel power on earth
Can give to song.

And thus she moves in tender light
The purest ray, where all is bright,
Serene and sweet,
And sheds a graceful influence round
That hallows e'en the very ground
Beneath her feet.

—New York Ledger.

FIRED AT RANDOM.

Hardesty had been called down to the town of his birth by the summons of the real estate agent into whose hands he had intrusted the care of the property he had received from his father's estate. Estate is a big and general word and many people use it in a grandiloquent manner in speaking of a corner lot in a marshy suburb. In Hardesty's case it meant a little better than that, but it was no vast Anneke Jans tract by any means.

He had not been in that little town for 17 years—indeed since the days of his school attendance. He recalled how on one summer afternoon he had vaulted out of a window just ahead of the schoolmaster's hickory, how when walloped for it at home he had left the house in anger, and how that night he had boarded a freight train bound Cincinnatiward—and had never gone back. Often he had thought of the old place and when the days of his middle age came they found him wondering and wondering and dreaming at odd times about Milt Woodard's cooper shop and the other things—but he did not go back.

After the death of his father and when he had come into the old family residence he seemed to wonder and dream all the more. Once he had met the father of Doras Alderman at a quadrennial session of the Methodist conference and had talked to him of Doras, who had been a schoolmate, but in general he had had little communication other than that witnessed in the letters which passed between himself and the real estate agent. Now, on this evening, 17 years afterward, he trundled into town in a sleeper and thought smilingly of the day when he had rolled out on a box car. The agent had written him to the effect that somebody had offered a famous sum for the old Hardesty homestead, purposing to cut it up into an addition to the city. The agent, a boyhood friend, had suggested that Hardesty come down from Chicago to give personal attention to the matter, for by so doing he believed that a few thousand dollars more could be realized.

Dreaming of the old days, Hardesty left the train at the depot. It was a stone and brick depot, he noticed, and not the little frame structure in which he and Tom Coyne had loafed in the summer of old days. He remembered Tom Coyne very readily, and thought with especial amusement and interest upon the episode of the bumblebees. Before reaching the town he had decided that the very first thing he would do would be to go into the little old wooden station and examine the walls to see if the initials "D. H.," for David Hardesty, were still there where he had cut them on the wainscoting, to the fury of Johnny Clark, the station agent. He had counted a great deal on the pleasure of this investigation, and it annoyed him somewhat to step off the car and into a spick and trig depot of masonry construction.

After the affront of this evidence of progress and prosperity had somewhat worn away he started to walk down the road to the residence of the agent, his old friend. He knew the location of the house, for as a boy he had been able to draw a map of the town, showing every residence, outhouse, chicken coop and fence. Somehow, however, he found the quest a bit difficult. New streets appeared, inviting him to walk down into what had been green fields, but which were now "additions" and "places," all built up with trimly painted frame houses.

He found the object of his search at last and was admitted. His friend, the agent, who had only partially expected him, did not know him at first, and indeed Hardesty would have passed the other a thousand times before recognizing in his brown mustache and glossy collar any semblance to the patched and freckled boy who had helped him to rob Frank Stone's historic melon patch. The agent introduced his wife and said Hardesty would remember her, but Hardesty would have done nothing of the sort, except for the fact that he had learned from correspondence that his friend had married little Eda Stone, daughter of the sovereign of the melon patch.

They talked, after dinner, about business and about the improvement in the city—it had been a village in the old days—and about the advisability of Hardesty selling his property.

"Really," said Hardesty, "I don't know that I care to sell. You see, the old homestead has been in the family for generations, and it seems almost a sacrilege to dispose of it. Why, I was born in that house. I used to look over the fence there at the gooseberry bushes in Gallagher's place and wond—by the way, are the Gallaghers living there yet?"

"Oh, no! They moved away long ago, and a fine, big, stone public school has been built there."

"A stone public school? Why, Henry, when we were boys, a one room frame house did us pretty well. Do you remember how we used to revile the boys who attended the academy and call them 'academy rats,' because the academy had two rooms, and consequently two stoves?"

"Yes, and they called us 'district rats,' and we fought about it," said Henry. "By the way, Dr. Culver lived on the other side, didn't he? Well, there is a whisky cure institute there now—a big one—the third in the state."

The next morning Hardesty started out to view the property before finally deciding not to sell. He declared that it was hardly worth while, as he had no pressing need for money, and it was always pleasant to think of the old times, and the old place, and the old home.

"When we get to that corner," he said, proud to show that he still remembered things, "we will turn and cross the common, passing by old Mrs. Marvin's cottage and swinging to the right by Hen Gettle's hothouse."

"I'm afraid we can't," said the agent and friend. "You mean to cross the common, don't you, as we used to in making the short cut for the river when we went fishing? Well," as Hardesty nodded in a delighted affirmative, "we can't do it, for it is all built up now. Mrs. Marvin's cottage site is taken up by the residence of the mayor, and Hen Gettle's home is now his home no longer, but is a three story hotel. You see the town has been progressing in 17 years."

Hardesty looked at his friend in wonder and not altogether in pleasure.

"On the way," he said, "I should like to pass the old one room school where Lo Ellenwood used to teach, and out of the window of which I leaped 17 years ago. It is down this way, isn't it?"

"It has been moved back in the lot, and a big grocery has been built on the front—the playground, you know, where we used to play foot and a half and sailors' Bombay. The old school has been converted into a stable for the horses of the man who runs the grocery. We abandoned it as a school ten years ago and erected a pressed brick structure down in the next block. We have been progressing materially."

"You don't mean to tell me the old school is used as a stable?" cried Hardesty. "And that playground gone too? Why, the happiest moments of my life and yours were passed there listening to half witted Billy Mendenall imitating bird songs and skinning the cat on the horizontal bar, which we bought by a popular subscription of old iron and rags."

"Yes, it was in the way of improvement."

As they talked they walked. Hardesty hardly knew himself for the changes in the old town—the dear old town back to which he had looked so fondly. Off there in Chicago he had been in the habit of passing opinion on men and saying: "Ah, you poor, hustling, deluded mortals, you are entirely different from Squire Lo Stone and Ott Templar and the other quiet, tranquil souls in that other town where my old home is. I am glad I have that dear place. It will be like an anchorage to me in this stormy sea." And now, and now—why, just think of it! The old school a stable!

"Henry," he finally remarked, "there is just one thing I seriously want to and must see. There used to be a big cottonwood tree over on the river bank—you remember it—where I carved my name one day—my name and that of a girl. I'm married now, but, do you know, I'd like to see that old tree and see if the initials are there yet. The girl was Ida Jordan. I suppose, of course, she has 12 children and"—

"She's dead, Dave—died two years after you left. And the tree has been cut down to give way to a lumber yard and"—

Hardesty interrupted him.

"Say," he cried, "you sell that stuff of mine for what you can get. I don't want to see it again. Your town is too prosperous for me. There's only one thing more I want to know. I want to lick the man who cut down that tree. Who is he? Where can he be found?"

"It was on my land, and I cut it down," said his friend, the agent.—Chicago Record.

Our Dear English Cousins.

Somebody has been informing the London Times that "American children are trained in their higher schools to exercise the ritual of 'saluting the flag' in military style, and that their martial ardor is by this and other means so blown into flame that when these young persons leave their schools they form themselves into societies and take a vow to avenge with their blood any insult to their country's flag." This somewhat vivid description has excited the horror of another reader of the Thunderer, and he leaps to a conclusion in the following amusing and highly characteristic style: "Apparently your correspondent uses the expression 'young person' in the technical sense of a female creature somewhere between a girl and a woman. Does he really desire that young females of this kind should in England form themselves into societies to avenge with their blood any insult to the union jack in Venezuela or elsewhere? Seriously, I think that the American example in this, as in some other things, is to be avoided as degenerate rather than followed. Surely our ancestors managed to conquer at Cressy and Poictiers and Agincourt, at Blenheim and Trafalgar and Waterloo, without all this absurd civilian ritual on the part of schoolgirls, this religious worship, or rather idolatry, of the personified country under the symbol of a flag and these silly vows by young Hannibals in petticoats. If the people of the United States is really beginning to worship itself as an abstract unity, it is a sure sign that it is beginning to abandon the only true worship, and to retrograde to mere civic paganism."

Episcopal Prerogative.

The only daughter of the Right Rev. William Croswell Doane of Albany is a married woman living in the same town with her episcopal father. Mrs. Gardiner and her large family of small children crossed the Atlantic on a steamer, where the following remark was overheard by another passenger. Her little son was "caught" in some game of play. "Why," he exclaimed, "I can't be 'it!' My grandfather is a bishop!"

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AN APPLICATION Is now pending to the Provincial Legislature for an Act of Incorporation, and notices given of two separate Private Bills for Water, Electric Light and Power Companies, also Telephone, Water, etc. All in connecction with and to supply the Town of Grand Forks and Suburbs.

LOTS OF 25X120 FEET Are now selling in the Townsite as at present laid out at prices from **$250 to $550.** These lots run about 14 to the acre.

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OF THE FUTURE PROSPECTS Of the District, but few words are necessary. Three Lines of Railway are projected to and through this property. The Spokane Falls & Northern are reported to be ready to build in the spring; the Columbia & Western Line, as may be seen at the Lands and Works Office, is projected through the land; The People's Line from the Coast also passes this point, and the C.P.R. Surveyors have run lines through the land during the past year.

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Maps of the District, Subdivision Maps, etc., can be seen and all information as to Prices and Terms obtained on application to

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NOTICES.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its present sitting, for a private bill to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing, equipping, maintaining, and operating a railway from a point on the south boundary line of British Columbia, between the 134th and 136th degrees of longitude, at the head of Lynn Canal, and thence northerly and westerly by the most feasible route to the north boundary line of British Columbia: with power to construct, maintain and operate branch lines, and all necessary bridges, ferries and wharves, and to construct, own and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches, and to build, own and operate steam and other vessels, to take and use water for generating electricity and other purposes, and to acquire foreshore rights and lands for the right of way, station grounds and other necessities, and to acquire lands and other bonuses or aids from the Governments of Canada and British Columbia, or from any municipality, corporation or person, to aid in the construction of the said railway, and make traffic and other arrangements with other railway companies or persons, and for all other usual and necessary powers and privileges; and also, for power to levy a royalty on all precious metals passing outwards over the said road when constructed.

Dated at the city of Victoria, British Columbia, this 9th day of March, 1897.

E. E. BILLINGHURST,
Agent for the Applicants.
mr10

Silver Queen Mining Company, Limited Liability.

A special general meeting of the stockholders of the Silver Queen Mining Company, Limited Liability, will be held at the head office of the Company, 64 Yates Street, Victoria, British Columbia, on Thursday, 15th day of April, 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of ratifying a resolution passed by the Directors, providing for the sale of all the undertaking and property of the Company to the Montreal-London Gold and Silver Development Company, Limited, to which resolution the Trustees desire the consent of the stockholders, as provided by the By-laws.

15th March, 1897.

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THE THERMOMETER.

ESQUIMALT STATION, March 17, 1897.
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1 a.m..	40°	Mean 40°	The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m..	38°		
9 a.m..	38°	Highest 46°	5 a.m.—16 N.W. 1 p.m.—7 S.W. 9 p.m.—16 S.W.
1 p.m.	44°		
5 p.m..	43°	Lowest 38°	Rain—0.19. Cloudy. Sunshine—4h. 42m.
9 p.m..	38.		

Barometer 9 a.m... Observed .....29.565 Reduced 29.551

E. BAYNES REED, Observer.

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The Pointed Beards.

The Society of the Pointed Beards recently held its third dinner in New York. The Pointed Beards is one of the most exclusive societies in the city. Article 2, section 1, of the bylaws says, "No one shall be eligible unless he have a carefully cultivated beard of natural and personal growth, in good standing and terminating in one symmetrical point half an inch from the apex of the chin, of sufficient evidence to preclude controversy." As far as possible everything connected with the dinner harmonized with the aims and objects of the society. The menu cards, most of which were either designed or executed by the diners themselves, gave ample evidence of the whisker mania, and even the celery was served with its foliage trimmed a la Vandyke. There were 33 members present, several of whom are well known artists.

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applause. Siler ordered the men to shake hands, but Julian interfered by saying: "No, you (to Corbett) refused it once."

They then walked to their corners and the gong was sounded by Billy Madden at 12:01 p.m.

HOW THE BATTLE WAS WON.

Fitzsimmons Fights His Way to Victory Indifferent to Punishment.

At 12:06 the men stepped to the centre of the ring. Fitzsimmons' face was almost expressionless, but Corbett stood like a panther ready for the spring, darting forward at the stroke of the gong, with a fearful look of hatred on his face. For a moment the men danced around and soon Corbett's countenance had taken on its customary fighting grin, and he settled down to the battle of his life. He landed several blows in the first round, one of which was on the cheek and staggered the auburn-haired fighter, while the latter returned the compliment with two hot ones on the head and a body blow or so. Corbett during the first round smiled at his opponent. Both men were careful during the clinches and made no attempt to strike on the breakaways. Fitzsimmons held his own during this round, and every time either man made a motion the crowd cheered.

In the second round the men grinned at each other in a friendly way. Then Corbett landed two lefts on Fitzsimmons' stomach, and the crowd yelled "too low." Corbett seemed to have the best of the round, but none of the blows were hard.

When they came up for the third round, Corbett lost no time, but got in a left on the belt. About this time he seemed supremely confident, while Fitzsimmons was a little bit nervous. The crowd shouted when Fitzsimmons landed his left on Jim's jaw. Just as the bell rang Corbett was about to hit Fitzsimmons, whose arms were down. He recovered himself, however, and both men laughed good naturedly.

In the fourth, Corbett landed a hard right on Fitzsimmons' ear during a clinch, and Fitzsimmons missed a vicious left swing that would have ended the business had it landed. In return he landed a hard punch on Corbett's face, and the crowd roared. Both men were receiving encouragement from the crowd. The round ended in a clinch with both men laughing.

As usual, in the fifth Corbett struck the first blow. Corbett seemed to be able to land whenever he wished, while Fitzsimmons was unable to hurt him. Fitzsimmons seemed tired when the round closed, and his mouth was bleeding.

Corbett tried to finish his man in the sixth. Fitzsimmons was covered with blood, but still grinning. Finally Fitzsimmons slipped and stayed down seven seconds.

The seventh was a hot round, Corbett hitting twice to Fitzsimmons' once on the average

In the eighth Fitzsimmons jolted his antagonist heavily, the champion staggering several steps backward, but he came back smiling and rapped Bob twice in succession with force.

The ninth round showed "Lanky Bob" up in a good light. He seemed to steady himself and landed more frequently than he had been doing.

The tenth was also Bob's round. Corbett began acting wildly and Bob took immediate advantage of it. Fitzsimmons was covered with blood but did not seem to mind it a bit. Several times he forced Corbett backward by main strength. Jim looked very weary.

In the eleventh, Corbett still showed his weakness. He landed frequently, but his blows were very weak at times. There were several mix-ups in this round and considerable close in-fighting, Fitzsimmons having the best of it. At the close of the round he had Corbett backing away to avoid punishment.

In the twelfth Corbett seemed screwed up to the highest notch. He rushed at Fitzsimmons like a tiger and pounded him right and left—but the lanky one was full of grit and took his medicine without a murmur. At the close Corbett was puffiing, but the round was his clearly.

In the thirteenth round many people wondered if Fitzsimmons' dream was to be realized. Fitzsimmons started the round in a lively manner, but it soon simmered down to give and take of a rather mild order.

The end of the fight came with a startling suddenness. The fourteenth round was well in progress when Corbett, who had assumed the aggressive, had forced Fitzsimmons into the Northwest corner of the ring. He was jabbing Bob's bloody face when the latter's arm shot out and caught Corbett right over the heart. He staggered, and then came a jolt on the jaw which sent oim down. It was just one minute past one when this deciding blow was struck—a left, and over the heart. Jim staggered and Fitzsimmons struck him fair on the jaw. Jim sank to his knees clinging to the ropes. His face was contorted with pain and he could not breathe. He tried in vain to rise, but each time sank back in agony with his hands over his heart.

Slowly the seconds were counted and when the referee raised his hand at the tenth second, a roar went up from the crowd. Bob stood over looking at his fallen rival, waiting to administer the finishing blow if Jim got up, but this was unnecessary. Corbett's seconds rushed into the ring and hustled him to his corner. He soon revived and when he learned that he had lost the fight he became frantic. He broke away from his seconds and rushed about hunting for Fitzsimmons and striking blindly right and left. It was a pitiful exhibition of impotent rage. His seconds tried in vain to control him, but he struck viciously at them as well as at others. Finally they grabbed him by the arms and carried him by force from the ring. This lasted at least five minutes. All this time Fitzsimmons sat quietly in his corner awaiting the decision of the referee.

When Siler's voice could be heard above the noise awarding Fitzsimmons the fight, Julian grabbed Bob by the neck and together they danced up and down in a frantic manner. They were crazy with joy. Mrs. Fitzsimmons in her box close to the ring laughed and cried alternately, and tried in vain to get through the crowd to embrace her husband. After some minutes Fitzsimmons was escorted through the crowd to his dressing-room and his wife followed.

There was little interest manifested in the remaining fights of the day—in fact a few scores only remained to witness them. Hawkins won from Flaherty in the first few seconds of the first round, one punch settling the fight. Green won his fight in the thirteenth round.

THE CHAMPION WHO WAS.

Corbett Still Confident of His Superior Skill —The Blow That Did the Trick.

Corbett's dressing room after the battle was a dismal spot for visitors. Helped to his room by his brothers, Joe and Harry, the defeated champion sank into a chair and burst into tears.

"I can lick him; I know I can," he said. "I don't knew how I happened to let him get in that heart blow. I felt as though I should die, the first few seconds after I went down on my knees. I had a chance to put Fitzsimmons out once when I got him on his knees, but I wanted to let him rest a bit and put him out with a blow. That's where I made my mistake. But I hope for another opportunity to get at him, and next time I won't lose. I would not care so much if it were not for my friends. They have lost thousands of dollars on that blow. I don't know just what I shall do now. I don't know when I will leave here. If I could get one more crack at Fitz I would stay here the remainder of my life."

Meanwhile the trainers were working with their man. His pallid face and the nervous twitchings of his limbs gave fear at the time that he had been seriously injured, but gradually his nerve and strength came to him, and with it came mental agony which he made no attempt to conceal. Billy Woods, dazed at the unexpected calamity, cried silently in a corner, while White, Delany and McVey, with drawn faces and set jaws, sponged and rubbed the fallen champion into fair condition.

"It was a chance blow," said White, "just what is likely to occur in any fight. We have nothing to regret except that the blow landed. The man's condition was all right."

Neither Delaney nor McVey would discuss the defeat. The ex-champion's brothers remained with him until his carriage arrived, vainly attempting to give him some sort of cheer.

"Oh it's no use boys," Jim replied to their encouragement, "Its all over now, and I've allowed Fitzsimmons to hit me a rap under which I was counted out. It was an awful blow though—I thought it had killed me," and the pugilist leaned his head on White's shoulder and sobbed aloud.

Time and again he started to his feet with the avowed attention that he would find Fitzsimmons and whip him on the street but each time his knees gave way beneath him and he sank back white and breathless. As his strength returned and the bitterness of defeat forced itself upon him, his appearance became pitiful. The hopelessness of regaining his lost prestige made him talk almost childishly and his supporters were relieved to get him away from the arena. It was half an hour after the end of the battle before Corbett could be induced to enter the carriage for the drive to his hotel. The ride braced him to some extent and he was more cheerful when he reached home.

At the ring side while Corbett was being assisted from his corner and the arena was filled with howling, exulting Fitzsimmons' supporters, William A. Brady, the ex-champion's backer, sprang to the platform and waving a roll of greenbacks shouted: "I have $5,000 to deposit as an earnest that Corbett can whip Fitzsimmons for a purse of $20,000. Now, you yelling, howling idiots come up here with your money."

The challenge received no attention and Brady was compelled to return his money to his pocket.

In his dressing-room Fitzsimmons' damaged face was quickly repaired by his trainers, and he hastily dressed himself; then the whole party was driven rapidly to the training quarters. He will probably start for San Francisco in order to arrive in time for his exhibition there Friday night.

Another sensational incident at the close of the fight occurred when Corbett broke away from his trainers and rushed over to Fitzsimmons' corner, pushed his way through the crowd surrounding Bob and grasped the champion's right hand in both his as he said: "Bob, I will fight you again at any time for any amount."

Fitzsimmons rose from his chair, and pushing Corbett, said: "No, no, get away. I don't want to talk to you."

At this juncture Fitzsimmons was dragged away by his jubilant friends. Corbett left this afternoon on a special train for San Francisco.

In Carson, friends and foes unite in their expressions of congratulation to the victor. The old followers of fighting agree that it was the best and squarest fight in the past ten year. They also agree that Fitzsimmons engineered and fought his battle as cooly and systematically as though it had been a game of chess—always watchful, constantly studying his man, disregarding absolutely the most irritating punishment, and all the while studying where he could plant effective blows. He unquestionably displayed the best ringmanship of any fighter in the memory Muldoon, Naughton, Sullivan or Case.

The victory of Lanky Bob though generally popular in Victoria will cause more than one representative sport to curtail his expenditure on luxuries for a month or so, until his finances recover their equilibrium. For again it was the sentimental, patriotic betting element who came out at the right side, the men who speculate in sporting results from a strictly business standpoint having been sacrificed to their fidelity to "form." With half of the "sports', in town Fitzsimmons was unquestionably favored at heart—yet these same sports could not find sufficient indication of success for the in the news from Carson City to justify a transfer of money from Corbett to Fitz. It was as much of a surprise to them when the result came as it was when their money passed from them with the passing of the championship from Sullivan to Corbett. And having lost they accept the verdict philosophically, agreeing with the rest of the fistic world that Lanky Bob is the man of the hour. No one suggests such a thing as an unfair decision. Corbett put up a hard, game fight, but had met a better man than himself. The enthusiasts who had backed the winner on principle are naturally jubilant — so, too, are the half dozen or so old timers who took Muldoon's trip from yesterday morning's Colonist and hedged for all they were worth. The progress of the battle was the one topic of debate from early morning until Pompadour Jim's fate had been decided, and then for the rest of the day the sporting world resolved itself into an admiration society. But one opinion prevails—that Fitz, like Henrietta, "is a wonder."

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NEW YORK, March 17.—James Creelman, war correspondent of the Journal on the Greek frontier, is at Volo, in Thessaly, near which point a collision between the Greek and Turkish forces forces is momentarily expected. The Greek soldiers, Mr. Creelman cables, are wild with excitement. He adds: "A roar goes up along the Greek frontier for an immediate advance across the mountains to attack the dread Turkish host lying in the Macedonian plains beyond. The Greeks are placing infantry on the actual line of the frontier, and so are the Turks. Prince Nicholas, who commands a battery of artillery at Larissa, has been constantly telegraphing his father in the palace. The air is full of shouting and sounds of preparation for battle and great masses of troops are being forwarded from Athens and other points.

Etim Pasha, the Turkish field marshal who commands the whole force in Macedonia, says that when war begins Turkey will not be satisfied with anything less than the conquest of Greece. But if he could see the rushing, singing procession of armed Greeks and peasants moving toward the frontier and should know how many thousands of rifles are secreted among the Christians in Macedonia he might might change his mind. The moment war begins there will be a revolution in every Greek island; Eprirus and Macedonia will be simultaneously attacked by insurgents within and the Greeks without. Even if the Greeks are beaten, they know that Russia and the other great powers will destroy European Turkey."

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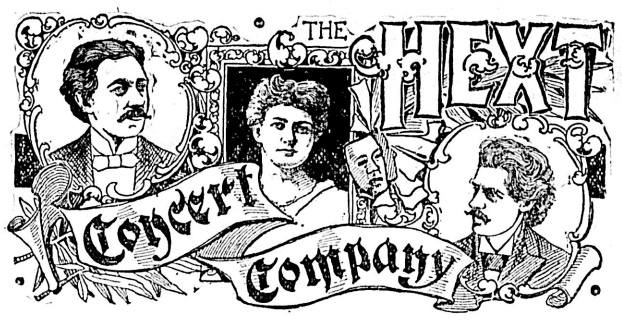

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